

POPE TRIES TO WIN THE MARQUESE BACK TO CHURCH

Mary Caldwell Weeps as She Leaves Pius X. After a Long Private Interview Concerning Her Renunciation, Which Is Fruitless.

SHE IS HALF PARALYZED AND CAN'T STAND ALONE

It Is Said Her Unhappy Life With Her Husband Was the Cause of Her Renunciation of the Faith She So Long Supported.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. (Copyright, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) ROME, Dec. 17.—The Pope has been making unusual efforts to persuade the Marquise de Montebello to return to the Catholic faith.

Knowing that the marquise was still nettled about what she considered slights that had been put upon her at the death of Leo XIII and that she was decidedly touchy, Pius X. perhaps for the first time in history, waived all the strict ceremonial attending audiences and personally invited the Marquise de Montebello to a private conversation in his apartments.

The audience took place in the first week of this month. The marquise was accompanied by her aunt and both drove to the Vatican, alighting at the court of St. Damascus. By a special privilege, usually enjoyed by cardinals alone, Mrs. Donnelly and the marquise were requested to enter the papal elevator instead of ascending, as usual, the Scala Regia leading to the Pope's apartments.

It would be no doubt most interesting to know what arguments Pius X made use of in order to reconvert the marquise, but one thing is certain, and that is that he was not successful. At the end of the audience which lasted nearly half an hour, both ladies were in tears, and the Pope himself, who accompanied them to the threshold of his study, was deeply moved.

Gave Her a Precious Rosary.

As a parting gift, he presented to the Marquise a precious rosary, and blessing it before giving her hands, said he would remember her daily in his prayers and that he had full confidence that God would listen to her entreaties for her physical and spiritual welfare.

The New York World and Post-Dispatch correspondent is informed that the Holy Father takes the greatest interest in her case, and is anxious to effect a reconciliation between her and her husband. In Vatican circles, indeed, it is confidently hoped that in the near future the Marquise will reconsider her decision. In the meantime, the correspondent can assert as a fact that as soon as the Marquise's health will permit of her leaving the hotel, she will again be received in private audience by the Holy Father.

Mrs. Chatard, bishop of Indianapolis, and Mr. Brodrick, auxiliary bishop of Havana, have been asked by the Pope to use all their influence to induce her to return to the fold.

The Marquise is staying at the Hotel Suisse, in the Via Veneto, and occupies the best suite of rooms opening on a beautiful terrace. It is here that she spends nearly the whole day, seated in her chair, among the flowers and plants she loves. Her aunt, Mrs. Donnelly, hardly ever leaves her, as she is a great invalid. She has also a faithful French courier, Monsieur Eugene, and a Scotchman, Dr. Sanderson Brock, formerly assistant demonstrator at Edinburgh, who has taken very high degrees, both in England and on the continent. He considers the Marquise's condition very serious, as she is half paralyzed, hardly able to stand without assistance and afflicted with a progressive deafness which has now become almost total.

Sits Among Her Flowers.

Under the circumstances the members of her entourage did not consider themselves justified in allowing the correspondent to interview her, but he was able to catch a glimpse of the poor lady, reclining listlessly in her chair on the terrace, surrounded by sweet-smelling flowers and gaining half unconsciously before her, where the dome of St. Peter's loomed majestically in the distance. Although middle-aged and bearing the evident traces of deep suffering on her wasted features, the marquise is still a striking and handsome woman. There was something infinitely pathetic in the silent scene.

Mrs. Donnelly made the following statement, which she authorized your correspondent to communicate to the World and Post-Dispatch:

"The Marquise de Montebello wishes to say it is quite true that she has abandoned Catholicism for the Protestant faith, but she does not wish to discuss the matter or give any reason for the step she has taken."

The marquise, it is asserted, led an unhappy life with her husband, whose fervid religious opinions did not influence his mode of life as persons as might have been expected. This discrepancy between religious fervor and moral laxity was, it is said, by those around her, the first cause of that doubt which gradually ripened into a feeling of dislike and finally of open revolt against the religion which had formerly been hers. The aim of the organization is to help the poor and the sick, and to give them a better life.

GRAND DUKE OF HESSE RETURNS TO FIRST LOVE

Girl Whom Democratic Nephew of King Edward of England Will Wed Was the Sweetheart of His Boyhood Days.

SHE'S LADY BOUNTIFUL TO POOR AROUND HER.

Ernest Ludwig, Hohenzollern With Socialists and Family's Protesters Only Amuse Him—His First Marriage Was Filled With Unhappiness.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. (Copyright, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) BERLIN, Dec. 17.—The engagement of the Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt and Princess Eleonore of Solms-Hohenzollern, is the talk of all court society, for it reveals a romance that dates back to the young pair's childhood.

The Grand Duke is 38, Princess Eleonore is three years his junior. She is not handsome but those who know her say she is a woman of fine presence and a most sympathetic manner. She is the Lady Bountiful of her district.

When she was a girl of 11, with blonde plaits down her back, she first met the grand duke, a striking looking lad of 14. In boyish fashion, he fell in love with her and they remained lovers many years.

The true story of the duke's engagement and marriage to his young and charming cousin of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha will probably never be known. But it was an ill-assorted match and neither was happy. The young English girl was flighty, restless and vain and it is also quite likely that Ernst Ludwig never forgot that gentle German princess living up there in her great castle of Lich. The catastrophe came and the grand duke and duchess were divorced.

Though he is King Edward's nephew, the grand duke is a man of the finest gifts and without a particle of the princely "stuck-upness" which characterizes so many German princes. He is an amiable and gifted gentleman. He lacks the energy of his cousin the Kaiser, and is in no sense military-minded. The Kaiser and he are good enough friends, but there is no love between them. The gentle Prince Henry has been the grand duke's bosom friend ever since the former married the latter's sister.

Not long ago there was a social gathering at the palace in Darmstadt to which the members of the Hesse diet were invited. Among them were the Socialist deputies. The grand duke singled these out for special attention and sat at their table for a long time, hobnobbing over a glass of Rhine wine.

When he was remonstrated with for these attentions to Socialists he was highly amused, and is said to have answered: "Why on earth should there not be Socialists? Perhaps they are just as useful members of society as the other classes. They are honest fellows, apparently hard-headed, and they work. There is room for all who have the courage of their convictions."

Such as it was, it sufficed to impel her to the step which has occasioned such a stir. The Marquise de Montebello knew that she could not punish her husband more severely by than bringing his name, borne by crusaders of old, out of the pale of Catholicism and into the Protestant fold. This decision, however, was not arrived at without much hesitation, and many inward struggles rendered even more hard by the opposition and earnest pleadings of her aunt, Mrs. Donnelly, who is a devout Catholic, and of her faithful courier, who did all in his power to turn her from her resolution.

When the correspondent first called at the Hotel Suisse on Sunday morning both Mrs. Donnelly and Monsieur Eugene were at mass, praying for the reconversion of the marquise. But her American spirit was up, and having once resolved upon her course to follow, she was strong enough in mind, though pitifully weak in body, to carry out her resolution.

And thus it happened that after a violent scene with her husband, the Marquise sent for a Protestant clergyman whose name the correspondent is not at liberty to divulge, and renounced Catholicism, returning to the Protestant faith. The scene alluded to was of so painful and violent a nature that it induced a long fainting fit from which the marquise awoke to find herself much weaker.

The marquise will remain at the Hotel Suisse until May when she will go to a villa that had been prepared for her on the banks of a picturesque lake.

Eleanor Robinson Sails.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Eleanor Robinson closed her engagement in Zangwill's "Merely Mary Ann" at the Duke of York's Theatre on Thursday and sailed on the Duchess of Marlborough for St. Louis. Her success throughout has been unequalled, and her reputation is made as a result of the fact that she has returned to America now to begin a tour of the principal cities of the United States in the same way.

Ballet Girls Form Union.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—The ballet dancers of Paris who recently established a syndicate against the grabbing managers and masters had their first meeting this week and passed resolutions declaring they should not be subjected to ignominy when seeking employment and protesting against subsequent exactions in the way of rehearsal fees. The aim of the organization is to help the poor and the sick, and to give them a better life.

Participants in Royal Romance and the American Peeress Who Is Now Leading in London's Social Gayeties



PRINCESS ELEONORE OF SOLMS-HOENZOLLERN

GRAND DUKE OF HESSE DARMSTADT



DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH AND HER TWO SONS

MARLBOROUGH LEAD IN LONDON GAYETIES

Young Duchess Still Holds Her Own as the Glass of Fashion.

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ANCIENT CHARIOT A FAKE

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COUNTRESS OF WARWICK ADDRESSES SOCIALISTS

Her Beauty and Earnestness Fascinate the Hungry and Threatening East End Mobs, Which She Sways by Her Eloquence.

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LORD SUFFOLK'S FRIENDS HAPPY AT HIS CHOICE

Young Earl Is One of England's Best Fellows, but Has a Great Place to Keep Up on a Limited Income.

CARLTON PARK FULL OF HISTORIC PORTRAITS

Future Countess' Sister, Lady Curzon, Is Now Convalescent at High Cliffe Castle and Doctors Are Satisfied With Her Case.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. (Copyright, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Dec. 17.—The assertions in the letter of Chicago is a long-looked-for event to his English friends, for, when earlier in the year, he proposed and then carried out his trip to the United States, it was suspected that he intended to bring back an American bride. The Suffolk family is not too well off, and he has family traditions.

He is immensely popular, and is pronounced by all his chums to be the best of good fellows, and all that is needed to make perfect his lovely place, Charlton Park, is a little more hard cash.

Hitherto his mother, the Countess of Suffolk and Berkshire, with her two sisters, the Ladies Howard, have lived there entirely, doing all his entertaining for him.

Charlton Park is one of the most splendid old Jacobean houses in England, and its great oak-paneled picture gallery, as well as most of the vast state rooms, are filled from end to end with old family portraits and royal pictures. These include portraits of Queen Elizabeth, Mary of Modena, King George I and Catherine of Braganza. Three old family portraits are in silver frames, a unique and long extinct luxury of the days of family prosperity.

The wonderful old kitchens are a feature of Charlton Park. They are at a long distance from the house itself, being connected by an underground tunnel built of stone. There are, however, seldom, if ever used.

Lord Suffolk was educated at Winchester. He is a great sportsman, and the kennels of his own pack of hounds are in proximity to the fine old mansion.

His friends are delighted at his engagement to so fine a girl as Miss Leiter, whose sister, Lady Curzon, is now convalescent at High Cliffe castle. Her doctors are now satisfied with the improved state of her health.

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PRIEST TELLS HOW HE RAISES DEAD TO LIFE

Father Ignatius of England Declares He Revived a Girl Two Hours After Breath Had Left Her Body Through Fever's Ravages.

SAYS THE LORD USES HIM TO DO HIS WILL

Makes His Statements Calmly and Evidently With Complete Conviction That He Is Speaking the Truth—Mystery in His Ordination.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. (Copyright, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Dec. 17.—The assertions in the recently published life of Father Ignatius, founder of the Protestant monastery at Llanthony, that he claimed the power of raising the dead to life, led the Post-Dispatch correspondent to call upon him and ask him about the matter.

"When quite a young man," he said, "the great Dr. Pusey, my confessor, knew even then that the spirit of God had taken possession of me and ordered me to heal the sick and raise the dead in His name. I claim I have performed no miracles myself, but have been chosen as God's instrument in their performance."

Asked to describe specific cases, Father Ignatius said:

"In 1861, when I was with my fellow worker, Mr. Redman, a woman earnestly begged me to come and save her daughter, who was dying of typhoid. Suddenly, feeling God's command upon me, I rose up, charged my friend to bring a relic of the true cross with him, and we both set forth on our errand of mercy. On reaching the house, we found the girl had been dead two hours and the body was already disposed for burial."

Making Dead Girl Return to Life.

Actuated by an involuntary impulse, I took the relic and laid it on the heart of the corpse, exclaiming: 'In the name of Jesus Christ, I say unto thee arise.' Slowly and stiffly the corpse arose. Redman cried out, 'What have you done?' 'I have done nothing,' I answered. 'The Lord hath done all.'

"I believe Redman's brother is still alive and he can testify to this truth. I have never spoken of this wonder until now, when it is for the glory of God that I should be believed."

"I remember, too, at Plymouth, an evil mother refused to allow her daughter to be baptized. I warned her that God's curse would fall on her if she persisted. She was obstinate. Suddenly, without warning, her 14-year-old daughter was stricken with idiocy. The doctors could never explain the origin of the affliction: it baffled all their science. It was the act of God."

"There have been other instances, but two will suffice, because I believe there are means of substantiating them. A striking mother sent for me to succor her son lying ill unto death five miles away. We always have Lourdes water at the abbey, though the nature of the water is immaterial. I said: 'I feel our Lord intended I should raise this poor boy by the power of His name.' When I got to the cottage I found the boy dying of acute internal inflammation and all but dead. I sprinkled Lourdes water upon him, almost shouting, 'Jesus says you are to get up at once.' Instantly the boy arose perfectly cured, and, next day, he walked five miles from his house to mine, bringing me a gift of flowers. That boy's mother still lives close to Llanthony; I will ask her if she is willing to give evidence."

Cured Workman Crushed by Stone.

"When Llanthony abbey was being built, a great block of masonry crashed to death one workman. The brothers ran to tell me of the accident. I grasped a little flask of Lourdes water and reached the spot where the man lay, nothing but a broken pulp and his fellows standing horrified around the dead body. I felt the divine command upon me. I commanded him to rise in the name of the Lord. The man walked home to his lodgings without even a mark upon him. There is certainly no witness of that event living."

These statements were made by Father Ignatius in earnest, calm tones, with absolutely complete conviction of their absolute truth. He is now 72 years old, tall, broad-shouldered, with held head. He is a highly emotional preacher, with a heavy, rather red face, with strongly marked lines and a dress in the black and white robes of a Dominican monk.

He claims to have been ordained a priest also in miraculous fashion. Owing to his heterodox views, the Protestants would not ordain him, but some years ago an American bishop arrived one night unexpectedly at Llanthony abbey. Ignatius says he never knew of his coming, but they commenced in prayer that night, and the following day the bishop ordained him, departing mysteriously as he had come.

A CHANCE FOR OLD MAIDS.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. (Copyright, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Dec. 17.—A recent census taken up in the colonies by the English government, indicates the need of half a million more women than men, owing to the death of the British empire.

In case of war, and even in peace, there would be a shortage of women to do the work of the British empire. The census shows that in 1901, 1,000,000 more women were needed than men, and that the shortage was increasing.

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AGED WIFE'S SON HOLDS BOY HUBBY

Shown His Spirit, When Breakfast Wasn't Ready, by Going Back to Mamma.

BUT LADY LOVE FOLLOWED

And With Her Own Children, Older Than He, She Recaptured Him.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—Making a young husband go without breakfast and so wounding his feelings that he fled to his mother, pursuing him thither with the stalwart sons and forcibly removing him from the maternal wing, then barricading herself in her own home with the youthful spouse and the sturdy sons, is the performance in which Mrs. Charles Eschenbrenner, 40 years old, of Cincinnati, is engaged to the stellar role by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Eschenbrenner, who is her junior, and as an outcome of which litigation is threatened by the parent of the juvenile benedict.

It is a tangled snarl that requires close attention in the unraveling. Charles Eschenbrenner is 20 years old, and until he met Mrs. Jackman always did whatever his mamma asked him to do. Eschenbrenner's filial obedience wavered for the first time when he gazed on the seagull-shaped charms of Mrs. Jackman. The fact that the fair widow had \$20,000 had nothing to do with his admiration, and there was no thought of creature comforts when, after a fortnight's acquaintance, he wooed and won the widow. That was a month ago.

All went merrily until Sunday morning, when Eschenbrenner found there was no breakfast on the table. He had gone supperless the night before, but he attributed that to an oversight. When the forgetfulness was repeated, however, he felt it was time to assert himself. So he went home to his mother.

Mrs. Charles Eschenbrenner complained of his flight to her sons, Charles and Robert Jackman, both of whom are older than her husband, and today they accompanied her to the home of Mamma-in-law Eschenbrenner and demanded the return of their son. Eschenbrenner, the mother, defied Mrs. Eschenbrenner, her roof, she intimated, until he was of age—particularly if the dear boy should not leave her roof, she intimated. When Mrs. Charles Eschenbrenner and the Jackmans insisted on entering her house the mamma-in-law seized the gun with courage she might not have shown had it been loaded and dared the visitors to cross the threshold.

It is related by the besiegers broke down her door and rushed into her home. One of the Jackmans, she alleges, seized the gun, the other threw the boy benedict over his shoulder and the triumphant trio departed with all the honors of war, leaving Mrs. Eschenbrenner, the mother, to mourn her loss.

Bluecoats to whom the bereaved mother complained of the loss of her son, happened to the home of Mrs. Charles Eschenbrenner, in Walker street, to inquire into the situation. They were amazed to find the house barricaded as if by 2000 men. Port Arthur assault, and Mrs. Eschenbrenner, the wife, defied them off her premises. They did not force an entrance, and at last accounts the breakfastless benedict still was in the custody of his wife and stepsons.

His fond mamma, however, said tonight she would again fight for a warrant and fight for possession of her son, if she had to go to every court in the state.

DOG SAVES A COACH PARTY

Grabs Lines When Horses Attempt to Run Away and Prevents Catastrophe.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
BOULDER CREEK, Colo., Dec. 17.—Tourists on their way to the State Park in a four-in-hand were saved from a frightful death on the Waterman Creek grade by the sagacity of a dog.

The driver had lighted at a spring to drink, leaving the reins wrapped around the brake. A shot fired by a hunter near by frightened the horses and the animals plunged forward, pulling the reins loose and trailing them on the ground, out of reach of those who were on the horses.

Along the edge of a frightful precipice dashed the horses. Death to the tourists seemed certain. But the driver's bulldog had leaped from the rig with his master. He was standing near the wheels when the horses started. When the reins fell he grasped them in his mouth, and though dragged over the rough, rocky road, held on. The weight of the dog's body and the strength with which he pulled on the reins was felt by the horses, and as soon as they were over their fright they yielded to the pressure.

The dog will be a regular passenger on the four-in-hand in the future.

ARMLESS WONDER SHOOTS HIM

Cocked Revolver With His Chin and Aimed at Legs Which He Hit.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.

OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., Dec. 17.—J. H. Payne, known as the "armless wonder," who has been in Oklahoma for several weeks giving exhibitions on the street, is in jail for shooting A. E. Wachter over a game of cards.

The two men had a misunderstanding and while in the turf season Payne pulled a revolver from his pocket with one of his arms, cocked it with his chin and shot Wachter in the leg and thigh. Payne's arms are not more than 3 inches long, being deformed from his birth. He uses his feet almost altogether. He can deal cards as quickly as the most expert card sharp. He does many things as perfectly as anyone with two arms and hands. He feeds himself with his feet. In talking of the shooting, Payne said he only wanted to break Wachter's leg.

ENOCH ARDEN IN OKLAHOMA.

Husband, Supposed to Be Dead, Returns After Wife Weds.

OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., Dec. 17.—For seven years prior to Jan. 7, 1899, Mrs. Bertha Crisp had been deserted by her husband, and she believed him dead. They were married in Wichita, Kan., in 1888, when Oklahoma was opened to settlement, and came directly to the Kan. territory, settling at Arapahoe, Custer county. After making every effort to obtain information as to the whereabouts of her husband, Mrs. Crisp married W. L. Thompson at Weatherford, Okla., Jan. 7, 1899. They lived happily and had accumulated considerable property, but suddenly the long that Mrs. Crisp had never been divorced from him, although they had not lived together for seven years before, came to her. She learned that her husband was still alive and that he was in Oklahoma. The latter has filed proceedings for divorce in the district court here. Mr. Thompson states that he believes his wife was perfectly honest when she thought her former husband was dead.

GIRL OF 14, IN SHOPLIFTING DRESS, AND BOY, 10, CAUGHT TAKING TOYS

Child Thieves, Though Clearly Trained by a Fagin for Thievery, Insisted They Had no Older Accomplice.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 17.—Elsie Taylor, 14 years old, and her brother, Willie, 10 years old, living at 810 East Jefferson street, were arrested this week in a Fourth avenue 5 and 10 cent store by Patrolman Iredale, charged with petit larceny. When searched at the jail it was found the little girl was wearing a dress specially constructed for shoplifting purposes, in which she had concealed toys to the value of \$6. The little boy had only a few small toys in his pockets. It was clear to the arresting officer that it was clear to the arresting officer that

he is said to have picked up many of the toys which, when he thought no one was looking, he would place in front of him below the counter. Here the sister would receive them and pass the stolen toys into the pocket in her skirt.

The two children visited nearly every counter in the store, but would not remain where there was no assembly. Finding a crowd of purchasers near a counter, the children would push their way to the front and would get immediately in front of the counter, with the crowd behind them. For nearly an hour they were watched. A clerk who first discovered the youthful thieves reported the matter and the manager took up the case.

The children acted with such perfect composure that they became an object of interest, and the girl was permitted to nearly fill her dress skirt before she was molested. Even when told of what she had done, with her skirt bulging and the toys rattling, she protested that she had taken nothing. When asked why he had stolen the toys, the boy said he had been told to do so

by his sister, who had taken him to the store for that purpose, but this the sister denied. Both denied that any older person had accompanied them to the store. The stolen property consisted of small dolls, miniature animals, boxes of candy tin savings banks and an assortment of wooden toys.

Unspendable Generosity.
The government of India offers \$100 to army officers who will learn the Tibetan language.

Katie Had Heard It.
Wills: Why do they call English the mother tongue?
Katie: If you had ever stayed out after 9 o'clock you would know.

Had Wide Experience.
Butts: Do you really think man the noblest work of God?
Cutts: Indeed I do.
Butts: What's your business?
Cutts: Me? O. I am a ladies' tailor.

MEXICO IS NOW ON A GOLD BASIS

Economic Troubles May Result, but Prosperity Is Assured for Future.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Mexico has recently taken radical action looking to the establishment of the gold standard in a conservative way, and the outlook has been discussed by financiers and political economists rather in an abstract than a concrete form. Most of them have overlooked the greatest factor in the movement. This is the twelve or thirteen millions who compose the Mexican common people. Mexico, it is believed, can afford to en-

dure economic crisis and to make sacrifices if in the end she can be assured of genuine popular progress. That seems likely to follow the adoption of the gold standard.

There will be no violent financial disturbance. The genius of Jose Limantour, the secretary of the treasury, is apparent in the measure adopted, and President Diaz has the very great advantage of a Congress which puts no bar in the way of the administration policy when that policy is once determined.

A process of education has been going on for the last three years. A commission was appointed to study the subject, and it made majority and minority reports. Out of the majority and minority recommendations of this commission Secretary Limantour evolved his plan.

There is no gold reserve. The government is given the authority and the means to maintain in the Mexican silver dollar at a value of 16 cents. No immediate legal parity is attempted. The effect of the suspension of coinage on the silver mining industry has been watched with some anxiety in Mexico and in New York and European financial circles. The Mexican mine owners take it much more calmly than did the silver mine owners of the United States when the gold standard was definitely adopted.

Give a Bureau Scarf

One of the handsomest and most complete lines of Bureau Scarfs ever shown in St. Louis is now on display in our Embroidery Department. Colored Mull Bureau Scarfs, in red, pink, blue and yellow; size 20x54 inches; regular price \$1.35 each; special \$1.25. Very beautiful Mull and Applique Bureau Scarfs, size 20x54 inches; regular price \$1.35 each; special \$1.25. (First Floor—Sixth Street.)

ST. LOUIS, MO.



Two Candy Specials for Monday

These candy specials come right in the nick-of-time for Christmas. Of course you want Candies and this is a splendid opportunity to buy them very reasonable.

Our special mixed candy, absolutely pure and fresh, is a very excellent value, at per pound.....20c

Molasses Kisses, very fine, price reduced just in time for Christmas, per pound.....15c

A Magnificent Christmas Store--From Roof to Basement

THIS great store, with its magnificent stocks of Christmas goods, is the logical buying headquarters of all St. Louis and vicinity. Our broad aisles, superb service and splendid assortments make Christmas shopping here a pleasure rather than a task. The number of appropriate and acceptable gifts which you may choose at Barr's is almost beyond estimate.

Toys, Dolls and Games--Finest Stock in St. Louis

The last week of our Toy Store will be one of wonderful activity. The thousands of beautiful things gathered here exceed in number, variety and quality any similar stock ever shown in the West. The special prices for this week will make these last days the biggest and best of all. All Toys sold in basement. Use any of the stairways or elevators—they all lead to the basement.

Tomorrow we open at our Toy Department special booths for the sale of all toys on which we are overstocked. Also all odd pieces and toys which are soiled or mused in handling. These will be closed out at greatly reduced prices. It will be a splendid opportunity for those appreciating genuine bargains.

Babyland Dolls. A splendid toy for the little tots, each 25c. **Children's Sewing and Embroidery Sets.** on sale at the doll counter, each set in a neat box, 50c, 85c and \$1.25. **Red Cross Ambulances.** with two horses; strongly made of iron and handsomely painted and decorated; combined length, 14 inches; a splendid high-grade toy for.....\$1.00

Imported Silk-Upholstered Parlor Furniture.—An importer's sample line of slightly soiled Furniture Sets; former values \$4.00 to \$12.50 per set; the entire line reduced at three prices—\$1.75, \$2.50 and \$3.25. **The higher grades of the well-known Bagatelle Game Boards** reduced as follows: **\$1.50 values for \$1.00; \$1.75 values for \$1.25; \$2.75 values for \$1.75; \$3.25 values for \$2.00.** Our regular \$2.75 game board, **Croquet** reduced to.....\$2.00

The \$1.00 game of **Parochial** is sold by us for.....35c. The regular 50c game of **Pin and Planch** Monday at.....20c. The interesting game of **George Washington and Dix** reduced from 50c to.....30c. **Chevy Chase**, one of the most interesting games ever invented; a regular \$1 game, we bought the manufacturers' entire production and offer this popular game Monday for.....20c. **Christmas-Tree Holders.** made very strong; stand on the floor and hold the tree securely; reduced from 25c each to.....10c

Children's Writing Desks. made of solid oak, highly polished and finely finished—a real fine piece of furniture. We call your particular attention to our line of these at from.....\$5.00 to \$15.00. Also a complete line of nicely finished desks, at prices from \$1.00 to \$2.50. Twenty-five styles to select from. **Children's Doorway Swings.** enameled in bright red with strong ropes; these will hang in any doorway; price reduced from 85c to.....50c

Trinity Chimes. in white enameled cases; a set of bells on which can be played any hymns with a beautiful tone. Reduced from \$1.00 to.....50c. **Mechanical Trolley Cars.** reduced from \$2.25 each to.....85c. **Hook and Ladder Hill Climbers.** reduced in this sale from \$1.00 to.....75c. **Fire Engine Hill Climbers.** reduced from \$1.00 to.....75c. **Nice Decorated Imported China Dinner Sets.** reduced from \$1.25 to.....75c. **Dresses.** slightly soiled, 13-inch size, 3 qualities; reduced from \$1.15 to 75c; from \$1.35 to 85c; from \$1.65 to .85c. **Boys' Tool Chests.** slightly reduced from \$2.25 to \$1.00; from \$1.50 to \$1.00; from \$1.25 to 85c; from 75c to 50c, and from 50c to 12c. The tools in these sets are in first-class condition, however slightly scratched and soiled through use on the counter.

The most popular and interesting toy of the season is the Humpty-Dumpty Circus; a special department for the sale of these. The animals are strongly jointed and include elephants, lions, donkeys and clowns, with all circus paraphernalia. Price according to number of pieces in set, at 50c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and up to.....\$5.50. **Small-size Columbia Talking Machines.** a perfect machine for the reproduction of music, etc.; the \$2.00 value for 8 crown 10 inch records; a perfect machine. The regular Columbia Cylinder Moulded Records for use with the above machine.....25c

The high-grade and educational game of **Rotary** reduced from 50c each to.....15c. **Britannia Toy Sets.** reduced from \$1.25 to 75c; from 50c to 25c; from 25c to 10c. **National Game Boards.** on which can be played 58 different games, in perfect condition, but as we are overstocked we have reduced the price from \$1.98 to \$1.25; from \$3.25 to \$1.50. **Crokinole Boards;** overstocked; prices reduced as follows: \$1.00 boards reduced to 75c; \$1.25 boards reduced to 95c; \$1.48 boards reduced to.....\$1.15. 25 doz. good quality **Magic Lanterns.** complete with slides and good lamps, reduced from 65c ea. to 39c. **Solid Brass Toy Tea Service.** reduced from \$7.50 to \$5.00. **Mechanical Race Tracks.** reduced from \$1.65 to.....85c

Kind Body Dolls. two large lots; strictly perfect and thoroughly high-grade. **Lot No. 1—18-inch dolls.** with jointed knee and hip, full-sewed curly wig, fine quality of blue head cloth eyes. **Lot No. 2—22-inch dolls.** jointed hip, sewed curly wig; fine quality imported bisque head, with closing eyes. Both these lots have been extra special values with us at \$1.25 each. As we have a very heavy stock of them, we reduced the price on Monday to.....\$1.00. Also all soiled and handled samplers, on a special bargain table, at heavily reduced prices.

Huffer's Mechanical Automobiles (like cut), red uced from \$1.00 to.....75c. A dressed jointed doll free with each auto sold. **Santa Claus Figures** stand at the foot of your Christmas tree; different sizes, from 25c to \$2.25. These are at our regular Christmas-tree ornament booth.

Groceries for the Christmas Dinner

None but the highest-grade, purest groceries, and the prices we quote are always the lowest. These specials are good all week.

Nabisco Wafers, 1/4-pound tins, regular price 25c per pound; special this week, 20c per pound. **Soft-Shell English Walnuts,** regular price, per pound, 20c; special this week, three pounds for.....50c. **Terragon Almonds,** regular price 20c per pound; special this week, three pounds for.....50c. **Home-Made Mince Meat,** regular price 35c per quart; special this week, 25c. **Fancy Washed Figs,** special price 2-pound baskets, 45c; 1-pound baskets, 25c. **SPECIAL—**We have on display in our Groceries Department, fourth floor, the premium Crawford Cheese, weighing 407 pounds. This cheese we will cut and deliver Dec. 22. We are now booking orders for the same and those who desire for Christmas the finest cheese in America should place their order at once for one or more pounds. (Fourth Floor.)

Stuffed Fard Dates, regular price 25c per box; special.....23c. **Fancy Home-Made Fruit Cakes,** all sizes; special this week, 2 cans for 45c. **Turkish Pig's Foot (Jumbo),** special price per pound 20c, 6 crown 10 inch crown, 2 pounds for.....35c. **French Process Prunes,** extra fancy, special price two pounds for.....25c. **Colorado Jonathan Apples,** special price per box.....\$2.75. **Fancy Turkish Figs,** special, 12-pound boxes for.....\$1.35. **Canada Maple Syrup,** special price this week, 2 pounds for.....25c. **Green Groceries Department,** fourth floor, the premium Crawford Cheese, weighing 407 pounds. This cheese we will cut and deliver Dec. 22. We are now booking orders for the same and those who desire for Christmas the finest cheese in America should place their order at once for one or more pounds. (Fourth Floor.)

Elegant Art Wares, China and Cut Glass

Christmas gifts of lasting value and usefulness can be selected from the thousands of beautiful art wares here displayed. Our collection of rich Vases, Bric-a-Brac, Cut Glass, fancy China, fine Bronzes, etc., has never been equaled in this city. Prices are very low—much less than asked elsewhere.

Bric-a-Brac—Hundreds of different styles and designs in Royal Bonn, Vienna, Dresden, hand-painted Limoges, and other wares, etc. We have fifty large tables piled high with these goods. The leading potteries and artists of this country and the Old World have contributed to the stock, and there is a magnificent collection at all prices from.....\$2.00 to \$150.00. **Special bargain tables of Bric-a-Brac and Vases** in thousands of different styles at the price.....40c and 50c.

Italian Marble. Imported by us direct from Italy. A number of very choice new pieces have just arrived. Prices range from.....\$4.50 to \$75.00. **Magnificent Electroliers and Reading Lamps.** wired ready to connect with the electric fixtures in your home. We can positively save you from 10 to 20 per cent on these. Some of the choicest and most desirable designs ever brought to St. Louis are on exhibition here.....\$5.00 to \$275.00.

Decorated China—Table after table piled high with beautiful china. Thousands of pieces of hand-decorated Limoges China at prices ranging from.....50c to \$20.00. A large line of fancy decorated German and Austrian China at prices ranging from.....10c to 50c. **French and Berlin Bronzes—**An assortment of some two hundred different designs to choose from at prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$100.00.

Sale World's Fair Draperies

Fine window draperies and door hangings from our case at the World's Fair. These we place on sale Monday at less than half first cost. Only enough for fifteen or twenty windows. The lot consists of high-class Bonne Femme and overdrap curtains.

Also three lines of lace curtains and two lines of portieres reduced Monday.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, only fifty pairs—regular price \$3.00 per pair—sale price.....\$2.00. **Irish Point Curtains,** imported by us direct—sold regularly at \$7.50 per pair—Monday.....\$4.50. **Rope Portieres** used for single and double doors—former price \$4.00 and \$5.00 per pair—sale price.....\$2.00.

Oriental Striped Cushion, fringed all around—Portieres—worth \$2.25 each—Monday, your choice.....\$1.25. **Lace Spreads** with flounce—worth \$7.50 each—your choice.....\$5.00. **Monday.** Two pairs of Figure and Plain Red Portieres with Persian Tapestry and Silk Portieres—regular price \$7.50 and \$12.00—Monday.....\$5.00.

Fine Pictures for Gifts

Our six picture galleries in the basement contain hundreds of beautiful framed pictures. We handle only high-grade goods and our prices are from 15 to 25 per cent lower than asked in the exclusive Art Stores. If you are going to buy pictures for gifts, be sure to visit our department. You will not only save money, but will get the best pictures that can be produced.

Hand-Painted Pastels—large size—in Florentine gilt frames.....\$2.98. Hand-Painted Pastels—in fancy gilt frames—splendid value at.....\$15.00. Hand-Painted Photographs—in gilt frames—assorted subjects—each.....\$15.00.

Oil Paintings in fancy gold frames and shadow boxes.....\$9.00. Marine Water Colors—in fine gold and black and gold frames.....\$20.00. Large size hand-colored Photographs—beautiful pictures at very low prices.....\$25.00. (Basement.)

Great Values in Petticoats

These Petticoat Bargains for Monday are extraordinary. They mean an unusual saving to you on present necessities. All are high-class goods, priced low just when you need them most.

Petticoats, made of black merzerized sateen, several different styles to select from, all umbrella shape, deep flounces trimmed with ruffles, pleating and hemstitching—actual value, \$1.50—price for Monday.....\$1.00. **Petticoats, made of taffeta silk** in all the new changeable colors—umbrella shape—deep flounce—tailored bands—such as usually sells for \$6.00—price for Monday.....\$4.98. (Second Floor—Olive Street Section.)

Petticoats, made of black merzerized sateen in a variety of styles—all entirely new—excellent value—each.....\$1.50. Petticoats, made of taffeta silk in a variety of styles, deep flounces, accented pleated or shirred ruffle, all full umbrella shape in all the new changeable effects in black or colors—each.....\$7.98. A variety of Silk Petticoats in black and colors, ranging in price from \$4.98 to.....\$35.00.

Holiday Slippers--Fine Values

A splendid showing of Men's Everett, Opera and Romeo Slippers, especially suitable for Christmas Gifts. Leathers are black vici kid, patent vici, hair calf and electric seal. Prices range from 50c to \$4.00 a pair.

Men's Shoes of vici kid, double soles—the new "Freak" last—a fine shoe for cold feet—pair, \$3.50, \$5.00 and.....\$6.00. Men's Viciized Calfskin Blucher Style Shoes, Goyard welt, military heels, and the new college last—absolutely waterproof—pair.....\$5.00. Don't forget our Juvenile Shoe Department—we handle the only Orthopedic Shoe that is made for children—per pair, \$1.00 to.....\$2.75. First Floor—Seventh Street.

William Barr Dry Goods Co.

Watches and Gold Jewelry

Our showing of watches and jewelry is subject to favorable comment by all who see it.

Enamel Chatelaine Watch, like cut, a good timekeeper, stem wind, stem set in a neat plush box, with enamel chatelaine pin; price.....\$4.50. **Solid Silver Chatelaine Watches,** warranted to keep perfect time for one year, stem wind, stem set, price.....\$3.00. **Sterling Silver Manicure Sets,** containing eight pieces; price, per set.....\$5.00. **Sterling Silver Manicure Sets,** containing six pieces—nail jar, nail polish, button hook, manicure scissors, nail file and tooth brush; price, complete.....\$2.50. **Gold-Filled New England Movement Watches,** several styles of engraved cases, warranted to wear for twenty years; stem wind and stem set; a good high-grade watch in every popular hunting case style.....\$9.50. **Five thousand children's Gold Rings,** signed plain band or stone set, values are 75c, \$1.00, special Monday.....50c.

Sterling Silver Articles
Sterling Silver Manicure articles, such as nail file, button hook, shoe horn, tooth brush, nail jar, etc.....50c. **Sterling Manicure or Embroidery Scissors,** special for.....50c. **Sterling Silver Match Box,** special value at.....75c.

Flannels and Cloths

You never had such a fine chance to buy flannels so cheap. It's the opportunity of the season—right at Christmas time, too, when you are puzzled about what to give.

Fleece Down Flannels for Bath Robes, Kimonos, etc., reduced from 25c to.....18c. Camel's Hair Kerseys, 52 and 56 inch widths, in gray, blue and green, at.....58c. 125 pieces new Outing Flannels, best quality, at, per yard, 10c and.....12 1/2c. Extra value colored Embroidered Flannels at, per yard.....\$1.00. All-wool Triot Flannel at.....25c. 50c wool fancy Triot Flannel at per yard.....35c. (Third Aisle—First Floor.)

Boxed Waist Patterns—Silk embroidered on best quality French Flannel, worth from \$5.00 to \$7.00, at \$2.25 and.....\$2.98. 50c fancy wool Elderdown; a large assortment of, per yard, 29c. **Plaid Back Tweeds,** suitable for Smoking Jackets, width 56 inches; worth \$3.00; special Monday.....\$2.25. **Valvettes and Corduroys—**We are the only house showing all the wanted shades in blue, brown, etc.....24-inch Valvettes at.....75c and \$1.00. 27-inch Corduroys.....75c.

CHURCH WANTS ITS SHARE OF \$7,000,000 FUND

Apostolic Delegate Awaits the Arrival of Secretary Taft in Washington, Where He Will Take Up Friars' Case.

OTHER PHILIPPINE CASES AWAITING SETTLEMENT

Government Officials Will Not Interfere in the Restitution of the Church Property—Will Leave All to the Civil Courts.

Rome, Dec. 17.—Reports sent from Washington to the propandea by Archbishop Agius, the apostolic delegate to the Philippines, bring the information that the negotiations regarding church property have not been entirely successful so far.

One of the matters was the restoring to the bishops the church property usurped by Aglipay and his followers after the schism. It was thought here that it would be within the power of the government to order its restitution to the church.

Mr. Agius reports that the government at Washington can not possibly interfere but will let the courts in the islands, which have already been appealed to by both sides, decide the controversy from a legal standpoint. It is feared here that such a course will entail a long delay and considerable expense which the church in the islands just now is not in a position to defray.

Fears are also entertained that the contention of Aglipay's followers that the churches in the Archipelago are the property of the Philippine, irrespective of their allegiance to Rome, may prove stronger than it appears, and that the courts may at least in some cases decide in favor of the schismatics.

The new apostolic delegate has been instructed with full powers to put down the schism and punish the leaders, and especially those of the Philippine native clergy who since the American occupation of the islands, may have been guilty of aiding and abetting the movement of Aglipay and his followers. Recent information received directly from the bishops shows a gradual increase in the number of Aglipay's followers within the last year.

Another important matter, which Mr. Agius was charged to settle with the Washington officials, was the partition of the \$7,000,000 remaining from the amount paid by the government for the sale of the Friars' land between the religious orders which still have claim upon the money and the secular authorities of the church in the islands. The Dominican and the Jesuit orders have not yet obtained a settlement of their claims, as did the Augustinians, and the basis of such a settlement was to be submitted to the government officials in order that the remainder of the money might be paid to the parties having a right to it.

Opinion is freely expressed here that the bishops in the Philippine islands will have little left of the fund for the support of their churches if all the claims of the religious orders be fully paid, and that, therefore, it is imperative that the matter be adjusted before the apostolic delegates depart for his post.

If sufficient money be left, it is the intention of some of the bishops to build new churches for the Roman Catholics in those villages where the already existing buildings have been occupied by the Schismatic followers of Aglipay, in case they should be allowed by the courts to continue in peaceful possession of the property of the church.

By such vigorous means it is expected that the schism will soon be repressed and unity restored once more to the church in the Archipelago. This will form the principal task entrusted to the apostolic delegate, who, before his departure from Rome, received instructions as to how to act in the case.

The Celestial Clippers.

"Mamma, do barbers go to heaven?" "If they are good, dear; but why do you ask?" "Why, I was wondering who trimmed the saints' whiskers."—Puck.

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MANY PATRIOTS WOULD LIKE JOBS UNDER MR. FOLK

From Ten to Thirty Seek Every Place New Governor Will Have to Bestow and He Is Learning State Executive's Real Trials.

"DEAD ONES" AND THOSE MACHINE-MADE BARRED

Appointees Will Come From Localities They Are to Serve and Merit Will Be the Test, He Says, With Party Service Secondary.

Excise commissioner, St. Louis	\$18,000
Coal oil inspector, St. Louis	7,000
Times election commissioners, St. Louis	3,000
Chief of police, St. Louis	6,000
Chief of police, Kansas City	5,000
Two election commissioners, Kansas City	2,500
Parole clerk	1,800
Superintendent of insurance	3,000
Commissioner of labor	2,000
Superintendent of Building and Loan Association	2,000
Two mine inspectors	3,000
Adjutant-general	2,000
Warden state penitentiary	2,200
Geologist	2,000
Secretary Board of Agriculture	1,200
Secretary Board of Charities	4,000
Beer inspector	2,000
Factory inspector	1,500
Commissioner permanent seat of government	1,200
Four police commissioners, St. Louis (each)	1,000
Two police commissioners, Kansas City	1,000
Two police commissioners, St. Joseph	1,000
Superintendent Missouri School for Blind, St. Louis	8,000
Superintendent State Hospital, Fulton	8,000
Superintendent State Hospital, St. Joseph	8,000
Superintendent State Hospital, Neosho	8,000
Superintendent State Hospital, Farmington	2,500
Missouri School for Deaf, Fulton	2,400
Superintendent Reformatory and Reformatory, Marshall	2,000
Superintendent Reformatory, Booneville	1,500
Superintendent Girls' Industrial Home	900
Superintendent Confederate Soldiers' Home, Higginville	1,200
Superintendent Federal Soldiers' Home, St. James	1,200
Eighty-two coal oil inspectors (fees, estimated)	30,000

Governor-elect Joseph W. Folk, in considering the formation of an official cabinet to serve his administration during the next four years, has found a serious problem on his hands.

For every job, large or small, important or otherwise at his disposal, the incoming governor finds there are from 10 to 20 applicants. Each applicant is supported by indorsements of the church in the islands. For thirty years, the politicians have been supreme in the state government of Missouri. A change is expected under the Folk regime.

A political indorsement, no matter how powerful it is, may count for nothing if Mr. Folk carries out his idea of conducting the state government along non-partisan lines.

He has already announced that there will be no "Folk machine;" that all appointments will be based fundamentally on merit and that political service will count merely as a secondary consideration in selecting the servants of the people.

The above table shows that Mr. Folk will have to fill about 40 positions—assuming the present incumbents will resign or be retired—to each of which is attached a large measure of responsibility.

If he desired, he could go further and dictate the entire army of state employees, which numbers 300 or 400. But such a radical exercise of power would be extraordinary, if not entirely unprecedented.

Patronage Worth \$140,000 a Year.

An office such as that of chief of police of a large city or the superintendent of a state institution, either of which is under the supervision of a state board, appointed by the governor, is usually filled according to the wishes of the executive.

Mr. Folk practically has at his disposal patronage worth \$140,000 a year, if only the department heads whom he chooses are taken into consideration. Otherwise, the salary list would run above the million mark.

Just whom Mr. Folk will select to conduct these important offices not even his nearest friends seem to be able to forecast with any degree of confidence.

Mr. Folk prefers to wait until he assumes his duties as governor January 9, before making up his list of appointments or intimating who the lucky prize winners will be.

It is understood that, contrary to some of his predecessors, he will appoint local men to local positions. For example in the matter of an excise commissioner or coal oil inspector, for St. Louis Gov. Folk is expected to appoint a St. Louis man, instead of searching over the state for some one to fill the position.

Reports are numerous that Mr. Folk will name Congressman A. D. Vandiver, of Cape Girardeau county as either excise commissioner or coal oil inspector of St. Louis.

No one outside of Mr. Vandiver's friends, point to any reasons, save those of a purely political nature, why such an election should be made to the announced Maroney Can Have a Remunerative Job.

The Vandiver case is merely typical for the jobs at the option of the governor to local positions. For example in the matter of an excise commissioner or coal oil inspector, for St. Louis Gov. Folk is expected to appoint a St. Louis man, instead of searching over the state for some one to fill the position.

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the office is performed by a deputy who owes his appointment to Standard Oil interests, and the inspection of oils is practically done under the supervision of the Trust.

If Mr. Folk should advocate or support home rule legislation, it may be there will be other lucid plums for which the politicians will thirst in vain.

The Republicans have one idea of home rule, while Mr. Folk is thought to have another. Mr. Folk's plan is said to provide for the appointment of police commissioners by the mayor in the larger cities, with the veto power and the power of removal for cause vested in the governor.

Repeal can Idea of Home Rule.

The Republicans think the mayor should have full charge over police and election commissioners. Their idea is expressed in a bill drafted by Representative-elect Bickley of St. Louis, who would have five police commissioners, two Republicans and two Democrats, while the mayor should vote in case of a tie.

Home rule legislation would cast a dampener on the hopes of a great number of politicians—particularly a horde of ex-officio holders, who have been able to get a "look in" during the Dickey administration, but are trying now to convince the new governor that they formed the organization which nominated and elected him.

Mr. Folk has told friends that no "dead ones" need apply.

Within 24 hours of his election, Mr. Folk was besieged by place hunters and he realized that this element will be the chief

source of annoyance to him during the early part of his administration.

After the first two years, the governor has comparatively easy sailing so far as appointments are concerned. The disgruntled during the intervening period have formed quite a formidable organization, and the governor is confronted with the melancholy fact that no matter how satisfactory his appointments were to the public, no matter how excellent his administration may have been, the owners of the political appetites, which he could not appease, are hungering for his political scalp.

On the Scent.

"Why didn't you stop that automobile which just went by for exceeding the speed limit?" asked the detective, coming up to the bicycle policeman.

"Couldn't stop it," replied the patrolman. "Well, go after it quick and arrest the chauffeur."

"But I didn't see his number. I'll tell you how to identify the outfit."

"Out walked the detective to the middle of the street, and raising his nose in the air sniffed, good and long."

"It's a gasoline machine," said he. "Again he sniffed the air."

"There's a lady in the back seat who's been using violent perfume."

A third time he took a quantity of atmosphere into his nostrils.

"You're right," he said. "I can't mistake; the chauffeur's been eating onions. Go!"

Yonkers Statesman.

OKLAHOMA PLANS AN ANTI-COCAINE LAW

Negroes and Laborers Are Victims of the Habit Only Recently Introduced.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 17.—The increasing use of cocaine in Oklahoma, especially among negroes and laborers, will cause the introduction of a bill in the next legislature restricting its sale.

P. B. Little, secretary of the Oklahoma board of pharmacy, says the board probably will prepare the bill. Its provisions have not been agreed upon, but generally it is intended to prohibit the sale of cocaine, except when prescribed by a physician in good standing, who shall be required to state in his prescription that the drug is given for a specific ailment and that its use is necessary.

To prevent the writing of prescriptions solely for the purpose of permitting persons to indulge their appetite for cocaine, one of the penalties may be the forfeiture of a physician's license to practice medicine in Oklahoma.

Habitual Users to Be Registered.

Another contemplated provision to restrict the sale and use of the drug is that it may be sold when a person goes into court and registers the fact that he is a habitual user of cocaine. Then the names of all such persons shall be posted publicly by law in some conspicuous place, preferably drug stores, together with the statement that they are habitual cocaine users.

The passage of such a law would require a further section inflicting severe penalties upon persons found guilty of "bootlegging" cocaine. In Indian territory, where the use of cocaine is new among the more ignorant class of Indians, it is alleged that whisky "bootleggers" and others travel from place to place with supplies of cocaine which they sell at exorbitant prices.

Oklahoma druggists had only a nominal demand for cocaine until railroad companies began building new lines in the territory. The railroad camps brought many

depraved whites and negroes to whom cocaine had become a necessity.

In several larger camps the contractors kept cocaine in stock in their stores, as they did tobacco and clothing. Occasionally there was a camp follower who engaged in a regular traffic of supplying cocaine to the laborers. Negroes in towns quickly acquired the habit from the railroad laborers, and the strong imitative instinct in the negro encouraged him to learn its use. The drug is taken mostly in the form of snuff.

Other states notably in the South, where the negro population is heavy, have found it necessary to enact laws regulating the sale of cocaine. Secretary Little said that much difficulty had been encountered in the practical enforcement of these laws. The druggists of Oklahoma are strongly in favor of an anti-cocaine law, as the class of trade to which it is supplied is undesirable, and its sale to confirmed addicts is repulsive and sometimes dangerous.

English Jockeys Improved.

The English jockeys seem to have improved since they adopted the American style of riding, says Daniel Maher. You know the Yankee style of riding is usually used on the English tracks. To see a jockey ride in the former English style would be just as foreign to them over there as it would be on a track in this country. It took some time to convince them that our style was advantageous, but, reluctantly though they did it, they were obliged to abandon their own style if they wanted to win anything.

WORLD'S FAIR

SALE OF BEAUTIFUL Gowns, Costumes, Wraps, Street Suits and Jackets, Furs, Etc.

Like the great Fair itself 'twill be a long time before you see its equal again, and every woman living in or near St. Louis who fails to see this grand display and take advantage of present prices will miss the chance of her life. These handsome goods were admired by everyone who saw them at the Fair without knowing the prices. Now that you can view them, on the same wax models, perfectly lighted and displayed, in our beautiful Costume Rooms, you will make a mistake if you fail to profit by the unprecedented opportunity thus offered.

Sale opens at 8 o'clock Monday morning! Prices will be 25, 35 and 50 cents on the dollar—including all our own superb regular stocks. For example:

Evening Gowns, Dinner Dresses and other costumes that were \$475.00, \$500.00 and \$600.00, will be sold at.....	\$115.00, \$125.00 and \$150.00
Gowns and Dresses that were \$200.00, \$275.00 and \$350.00 will be sold at.....	\$90.00, \$100.00 and \$115.00
Gowns and Dresses that were \$100.00, \$125.00 and \$150.00 will be sold at.....	\$50.00, \$65.00 and \$75.00
Gowns and Dresses that were \$75.00, \$85.00 and \$95.00 will be sold at.....	\$35.00, \$45.00 and \$50.00
Beautiful Crepe de Chine and Voile Gowns, in all colors, that were \$35.00, \$40.00 and \$50.00, will be sold at.....	\$17.50, \$22.50 and \$30.00
Evening Wraps, including real lace, chiffon, silk, broadcloth and beardskin—	
Wraps that were \$450.00 to \$575.00 now.....	\$125.00 and \$150.00
Wraps that were \$100.00 to \$120.00 now.....	\$50 to \$75.00
Wraps that were \$75.00 to \$90.00 now.....	\$35.00 to \$45.00
Wraps that were \$40.00 to \$60.00 now.....	\$20.00 to \$35.00
Wraps that were \$15.00 to \$18.75 now.....	\$7.50 to \$10.00
Velvet Street Gowns—Our own splendid stock, sacrificed in this sale, as follows:	
Velvet Gowns that were \$75.00 to \$100.00 now.....	\$50.00 and \$65.00
Velvet Gowns that were \$50.00 to \$69.00 now.....	\$29.75 to \$37.50
Velvet Gowns that were \$30.00 to \$45.00 now.....	\$18.75 to \$22.75
Cloth Street Suits—Our own stock—as follows:	
Suits that were \$75.00 to \$85.00 now go at.....	\$50.00
Suits that were \$60.00 to \$70.00 now go at.....	\$39.50
Suits that were \$40.00 to \$50.00 now go at.....	\$29.75
Suits that were \$35.00 to \$40.00 now go at.....	\$25.00
Suits that were \$25.00 to \$35.00 now go at.....	\$19.75
And some excellent Suits at.....	\$10.00, \$12.75 and \$15.00
Street Coats—Fine broadcloth coats, silk and velvet wraps, fur-lined garments, etc., at these cut prices:	
Coats and Wraps that were \$85.00 to \$125.00 at.....	\$50.00 to \$75.00
Coats and Wraps that were \$50.00 to \$80.00 at.....	\$35.00 to \$50.00
Coats and Wraps that were \$25.00 to \$35.00 at.....	\$18.75 to \$25.00
Coats and Wraps that were \$20.00 to \$25.00 at.....	\$15.00 to \$18.75
Coats and Wraps that were \$15.00 to \$20.00 at.....	\$7.95 to \$15.00
Coats and Wraps that were \$10.00 to \$12.00 at.....	\$5.00 to \$6.95
Furs—Scarfs, Boas, Muffs, Sets and Garments, from Funsten Bros.' grand prize exhibit, at the World's Fair—offered in many cases at less than the value of the raw skins alone.	
Genuine Russian Sable Sets, worth \$750.00 to \$1500.00, at.....	\$500.00 to \$1000.00
Genuine Hudson Bay Sable Sets, worth \$200.00 to \$500.00, at.....	\$100.00 to \$250.00
Single Scarfs of Russian Sable at.....	\$275.00 to \$500.00
Single Scarfs of Hudson Bay Sable at.....	\$150.00
Single Muffs of Hudson Bay Sable at.....	\$55.00 to \$150.00
Real Royal Ermine Long Fur-in-Hand Scarfs, worth \$40.00, at.....	\$23.75
Real Royal Ermine Muffs, worth \$65.00, for.....	\$39.75
Real Chinilla Scarfs, worth \$35.00, for.....	\$18.75
Eastern Mink Scarfs, worth \$30.00 to \$40.00, for.....	\$19.75 to \$27.50
Extra large Eastern Mink Stoles, worth \$75.00 to \$150.00, now.....	\$45.00 to \$100.00
Choice Jap Scarfs at.....	\$10.00 to \$30.00
Choice Jap Sets (large Muff).....	\$18.50
Large Sable Fox Scarfs, worth \$10.00 to \$18.50, now.....	\$5.95 to \$12.75
River Mink Scarfs, in large double-shaped style, at \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.50. Muffs.....	\$3.50, \$3.95 and \$6.00
Large Cluster Scarfs, worth \$3.50 to \$5.00, now.....	\$1.95 and \$2.95
New large Muffs to match all Scarfs—prices.....	\$2.00 to \$350.00
Children's Fur Sets—Thousands of them in all kinds of furs, at.....	\$1.00 to \$25.00 a set
Fur Coats—Both staple and novelty styles—	
Choice Baltic Seal Coats.....	\$20.00 and up
Choice Electric Seal Coats.....	\$35.00 and up
Choice Near Seal Coats.....	\$50.00 and up
Persian Lamb Coats, with real chinilla or mink collars and revers, at.....	\$150.00
Real Seal Coats at.....	\$150.00 and up
Large Fur Capes at.....	\$25.00 and up
Novelty Russian Coat Capes at.....	\$95.00 and up
Jap Silk Lounging Robes—Imported direct from Japan: Plain—all colors—worth \$16.75, for.....	\$10.00
Embroidered—all colors—worth \$25.00, for.....	\$15.00
Plain Sables, \$3.95; Embroidered, \$5.00.	

AN ASTOUNDING SALE OF Men's Fine Suits

In Both Single and Double Breasted Styles.

We're overstocked on Men's Suits, and we're willing to take a loss. We therefore offer you

Choice of Every Man's Suit in the House on Monday at One Price!

Out they go! Blues, Blacks and Fancy Mixtures in Ten to Twenty-five Dollar Suits—sizes 34 to 46—all offered at the one price of.....

\$9.88

Christmas Cards.

A HOST of pretty things ready for your choosing Monday. Christmas Cards at 1c each and up. Christmas Leaflets at 2c each and up. Calendars for 1905 at from 5c to \$1.00 each. Cards and Invitations printed and Monograms stamped on Stationery at lowest prices.

World's Fair Dolls!

You remember the exhibit—the life-size camel, led by a fierce Bedouin and carrying on its back an Indian Princess and a host of Dolls of every description. It's all at Nugent's now, the entire Sonneberg Grand Prize Doll Exhibit, ready and waiting for you! Come, if only to look at the finest collection of Dolls ever brought to America!

B. NUGENT & BRO. DRYGOODS CO.

Broadway, Washington Av. and St. Charles Street.

Punch and Judy Outfit.

From Sonneberg—a complete theatre, box, two sets of Punch and Judy actors, curtains and all—a "Grand Prize" affair that would cost \$200.00 to import.

On sale on our 3rd floor for

\$100.00

A Very Special Announcement

NOTWITHSTANDING the great number of desirable charge accounts already opened by us, we wish to still further increase this feature of our vastly growing business, and take this means of inviting all persons of responsibility to open a charge account with us.

Our present charge customers and those who will open new accounts this month are hereby informed that, if so requested, all goods purchased during December, after this date, need not be paid for until February 1st, 1905.

Shop Early

In Every Way the
Leading Store of
St. Louis.

The May Co.

Washington Avenue and
Sixth Street.

The Home of
Santa Claus!

Shop Early

Three Holiday Ribbon Specials

A SALE extraordinary of 6-inch pure silk ribbons in the regular 40c to 65c grades, at 29c. Just in time for Christmas needs.

These are in plain or fancy colors and two-toned effects, and all have a most beautiful lustre; choice tomorrow, yard..... 29c

NEW HOLLY RIBBONS, in satin taffetas, in three widths. These ribbons are very popular— 8c

TAFFETA RIBBONS for holiday bows and trimmings, in all popular light shades— 5c

1 and 1 1/2 inches wide—yard.....

Main Floor—Aisle Three.

Shop Early

Our Clearance Sale of Outergarments Begins Tomorrow!

A GAIN we reverse the general order of events by starting our great Clearance Sale of Costumes, Coats, Furs, Suits, Waists, Petticoats, etc., NOW and NOT after Christmas, as is the usual. Every garment offered in this sale is absolutely correct in style and color. The workmanship is perfect and lengths are in perfect accord with fashion's dictates. This wonderful selling movement enables you now to secure character garments at such remarkable prices that you will instantly recognize this as the most important event of like character ever held in St. Louis or the west.

These extraordinary price concessions on the season's best and newest styles would be something to talk about in January or even February, when retail stocks are being closed out; but in the very beginning of real winter it is so unusual as to be surprising. Words fail to impress the unparalleled opportunities on the reader and every fortunate woman who attends this sale will be simply enraptured.

Stylish Winter Coats

Reductions Beyond Compare.

Women's \$6, \$7 and \$8 Coats go at..... \$3.95

Women's \$9, \$10 and \$12 Coats go at..... \$5.95

Women's \$15, \$18 and \$20 Coats go at..... \$9.95

Women's \$22.50 to \$27.50 Coats go at..... \$15.00

Women's \$30 to \$35 Coats go at..... \$19.50

Women's \$37.50 to \$45 Coats go at..... \$25.00

Women's \$60 to \$75 Coats go at..... \$37.50

Fur Lined Coats

\$22.50 and \$25 fur lined cloth coats at..... \$13.50

\$35 and \$45 fur lined cloth coats at..... \$22.50

\$37.50 and \$60.50 fur lined cloth coats in black, blue, brown, gray; also the cream, champagne and light blue, for evening wear, choice..... \$37.50

Raincoat Clearing

\$12 to \$15 shower proof coats at..... \$9.75

\$22.50 to \$27.50 finest raincoats at..... \$15

\$5, \$6 and \$7 Silk Waists at \$2.95

Beautiful high-grade silk waists in black, dark and light shades of Taffetas, Peau de Cygnes, Peau de Soies and Louisines, for day or evening wear. Splendid \$5 to \$7 garments in the newest styles at..... \$2.95

\$8, \$10 and \$12 Waists at \$4.95

A most remarkable bargain in high-grade garments. Taffeta, Peau de Soie, Louisine, Net, Oriental and Renaissance lace waists, made over silk bodies. All new models in cream, ecru, white and colors. Beautiful \$8 to \$12 dress waists at..... \$4.95

75c Black Sateen Tailored Waists at..... 39c

\$1.25 to \$1.50 Stylish Waists in Sateen, Wool and Cotton..... 69c

\$2 to \$2.25 Albatros, Madras, Brilliant and Cashmere..... 95c

and SILK WAISTS..... \$1.45

\$3.00 Pure Silk Shawls at \$1.50

250 dozen pure silk shawls in the large size, in cream and white. Heavy blistered pattern with deep fringe. \$3 shawls at..... \$1.50

Shop Early

Exquisite Christmas Hosiery

IF IN doubt, decide on Silk Stockings and you are sure to please the lady. We honestly doubt if any other gift would please a dainty woman more than several pairs of Silk Stockings. This hint is for you.

WOMEN'S SILK HOSE—In black, in plain or drop stitch patterns—full fashioned stockings with double sole and high-spliced heels..... \$1.50

Special values at \$2.00 and..... \$1.19

WOMEN'S PURE SILK HOSE—In black, tan, pink or white with double sole and heel..... \$1.50

Special value at..... \$1.19

WOMEN'S LISLE HOSE—With black tops and hand-embroidered ankles—a large variety of enchanting patterns for gift-giving, at 50c to..... \$2.00

WOMEN'S FANCY HOSE—In hand-embroidered styles with plain top, in embroidered or lace embroidered boot effects..... 50c

WOMEN'S SWISS VESTS—Silk and Lisle Swiss Vests—low neck and no sleeve—crocheted yoke—in pink blue and white—from 50c to..... \$5.00

Shop Early

\$1.50 Waist Patterns at Only 95c

THESE are beautiful imported Swiss Novelties, Grenadine Et Soie, Woven Jacquards, Kremling, and other weaves in the newest white fabrics. There's 3 1/2 yards in each. Regular price \$1.50; sale price, pattern..... 95c

Basement Salesroom—Five Elevators.

Shop Early

\$125 to \$225 Evening Gowns at \$75

OUR entire stock of evening gowns, comprising the most exclusive as well as most beautiful creations of the world's best artists, go at half and less than half price in this sale.

\$185.00 Paris gowns in white crepe, richly hand-embroidered—an exquisite design by Baruch, \$75.

\$175.00 pale blue chiffon silk gown, with new ruffles and rich lace trimming—hand-embroidered, \$75.

\$150.00 pale blue Crepe de Chine gown, trimmed with chiffon, \$75.

Pearl gray Voile gown, with all-over hand-embroidered lace trimming at \$75.

\$125.00 rich model in black net, richly embroidered in silk flower design, \$75.

\$145.00 champagne chiffon silk gowns, richly embroidered by hand at only \$75.

\$150.00 pale green chiffon silk and velvet ribbon trimmed gowns—beautiful creations, \$75.

\$200.00 cream spangled gowns with lingerie sleeve—fancy silk embroidered—rose design, \$75.

\$225.00 white chiffon silk gowns, gorgeously trimmed with hand embroidery—a beauty—at \$75.

\$225.00 imported Doucet model—a 1904 production—entire net body—beautifully hand-embroidered, \$75.

\$200.00 sage green imported broadcloth gown—a striking model—beautifully embroidered, \$75.

Choice,
\$75

Choice,
\$75

Highest-Class Evening Coats Reduced

\$45 Beautiful Creations—exclusive models and only one of a kind. Handsome models in light tan, champagne, white, cream, red, gray and leather shades. Our entire stock of \$75, \$85 and \$95 coats. If you have postponed the purchase of an evening or carriage wrap you are indeed fortunate in securing these entrancing models at..... \$45

Second Floor—Five Elevators and Moving Stairway.

Shop Early

Myriads of Holiday Handkerchiefs

THE Handkerchief store has spread out and now occupies the entire space on one side of the main entrance. The daily throngs in this section bespeak the elegance and variety of our offerings. Never such selling and enthusiastic delight as now. We prepared for the greatest Handkerchief rush we ever had and our every wish has been fulfilled. See these tomorrow.

REAL DUCHESS LACE HANDKERCHIEFS—These charming presents are really worth \$2.75—choice tomorrow..... \$1.50

BEAUTIFUL HANDKERCHIEFS—In real Duchess and point lace for gift-giving—a magnificent assortment—from 50c to..... \$2.50

ELEGANT HANDKERCHIEFS—In Mechlin and fine Valenciennes laces—a fancy box with each, at \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1, 85c, 75c, 50c and..... 50c

PLAIN AND ST. GALL LACE HANDKERCHIEFS—In point lace effects—most acceptable presents, at \$1.25 and..... 50c

FINE HANDKERCHIEFS—In embroidered, hemstitched and scalloped effects, at \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1, 85c, 75c, 65c, 50c, 35c and..... 25c

EMBROIDERED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS—for men or women—1/4 and 1/2 inch hem—1/2 dozen in box—at only, box..... 50c

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS with hemstitching and embroidered initials—1/2 dozen in a fancy box for..... 60c

Men's H. S. Handkerchiefs, in plain white, in full size 1/2 dozen..... 39c

in a fancy box for..... 39c

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS—An endless variety in fancy boxes—Plain hemstitched—3 in box for..... 15c

Embroidered initial and hemstitched 3 in box for 19c and..... 25c

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS—All-linen, hemstitched, fine embroidered Handkerchiefs: 1/2-dozen in fancy box; special..... \$1.39

Shop Early

Gloves Are Greatly Favored

DELIGHT someone with one or a half-dozen pairs of dainty Gloves as a fitting token of your regard. The daily throngs in this section speak eloquently of our glove chief's taste, and preparations and ample service is assured you.

WOMEN'S KID GLOVES—In two-clasp styles with Paris point stitched back—all the popular shades and black or white—a nice fancy box with each pair..... \$1.00

WOMEN'S KID GLOVES—In two-clasp styles, in all the newest shades—pique sewn—these fit perfectly..... \$1.50

REAL FRENCH KID GLOVES for women. These have two pearl clasps and heavy two-toned embroidered backs—all the swell shades of fawn, onion, browns and terra cottas, also white and black..... \$2.00

GENTLEMEN'S DRESS GLOVES—In the Fowne, Dent and Adler makes—all the newest ideas.

Main Floor—Front.

Shop Early

\$7.50, \$8 and \$9 Portieres at Only \$4.50

FINE brocaded rep and Armure Portieres in the very newest ideas and colorings at \$4.50. These portieres have elegant Verona, French tapestry and hand needlework borders on both sides. \$7.50, \$8 and \$9 portieres at, pair..... \$4.50

Fourth Floor near Santa Claus' Realm.

Shop Early

Only Six More Days in Which to Select Christmas Toys—Do Your Shopping Tomorrow!

TOYLAND, that magic word which thrills the heart of the youngsters. Toyland—the home of the real and the mystical Santa Claus—is in the height of its popularity. But do not put your selections off a day longer or you may miss the very toys you've set your heart on for your little ones. Tomorrow we are naming special cut prices to hurry you just a little.

Toy Furniture at All Prices

Steam Engines—Your choice of two and three footed, constructed, regular price \$1.00; sale price 75c

Chairs—Large assortment of Toy at special prices—25c up to \$3.99

Games—Romans, the fortune-telling game; regular price \$4c; sale price 30c

WASH SETS—Wood wash sets, complete, with stand, tub and wash board, wringer, and clothes rack. The size at..... 75c; the size at..... 50c

Toy Table—Folding toy table, finished; special price 50c

Tool Chests—Of fine quality, varnished wood chests, with handles and complete set of well made tools.

Drama—A big special purchase made from a St. Louis wholesaler at a special reduction.

25c size at 19c
50c size at 29c
60c size at 39c
75c size at 49c
95c size at 75c

Horses—Plush covered horses on wheel platforms, complete.

25c size 19c
40c size 29c
50c size 39c
60c size 49c
75c size 59c
95c size 75c

Magic Lanterns—Complete in box with full set of views. These 50c lanterns are exceptional values at 30c

Simplex Typewriter, as Illustrated. Demonstration in our toy dept. 3 sizes, \$1, \$2.50 and \$5.00.



It Takes Playthings to Please the Little Ones.

CAN you recall the time when you were a little child and how much pleasure you derived from a little toy or doll? Couldn't get as much genuine pleasure today if you spent a hundred times its cost—could you? Our fourth floor contains thousands of articles manufactured simply for the purpose of amusing the little ones—a great many of the things are instructive, too. We've made special reductions on many lines.

VELOCIPEDES with adjustable leather-covered seat—
\$1.45 Velocipedes, reduced to, \$1.19
\$1.75 Velocipedes, reduced to, \$1.45
\$1.98 Velocipedes, reduced to, \$1.75

Kid-Body Dolls, Special Values

A Belated Shipment—Should have arrived two months ago. Manufacturer made us a liberal allowance on account of arriving so late. You can buy them to-morrow at a considerable reduction from regular prices.

SHOO-FLIES—Three special styles reduced for Monday—
The 1st Shoo-Fly reduced to 50c.
The 2nd Shoo-Fly reduced to 75c.
The 3rd Shoo-Fly reduced to 95c.
FOLDING TABLE—Made of ash, varnished—15x24-inch top—reduced to 45c.

PLUSH HORSES on platform, with wheels—
Regular price, 75c—reduced to 50c
Regular price, \$1.00—reduced to 75c
Regular price, \$1.25—reduced to \$1.00
Regular price, \$1.50—reduced to \$1.25
REVOLVING DESK CHAIRS—They are slightly scratched, otherwise perfect—regular price, \$1.75—reduced to 98c
BLACKBOARD—48 inches high, 23 inches wide—oak finish—writing table and blackboard—regular price, \$1.45—reduced to 79c
EUREKA SWING CHAIR for infants and children—suspends between doorway or from ceiling—regular price, \$1.45—reduced to \$1.19

BUTCHER SHOPS, DOLL HOUSES AND STORES OF ALL KINDS greatly reduced. There are limited quantities, so come early for choice—
Those that sold for 25c, now 19c
Those that sold for 50c, now 35c
Those that sold for 75c, now 50c
Those that sold for \$1.00, now 69c
Those that sold for \$1.25, now 89c
Those that sold for \$1.50, now \$1.19
Those that sold for \$1.75, now \$1.45
Those that sold for \$2.00, now \$1.75
Those that sold for \$2.50, now \$2.25
Those that sold for \$3.00, now \$2.75
GAME BOARDS—COMBINOLA AND CROKINOLA—
All styles—reduced as follows—
The \$1.25 Game Board reduced to 89c
The \$1.50 Game Board reduced to \$1.19
The \$2.00 Game Board reduced to \$1.75
The \$2.50 Game Board reduced to \$2.25

KID-BODY DOLL—15 inches tall—bisque head—sewed wig—moving eyes—shoes and stockings—regular price, 40c—reduced to 25c
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SWINGING HOBBY HORSES—REDUCED:
The \$2.25 Horses reduced to 1.95
The \$2.75 Horses reduced to 2.25
The \$3.25 Horses reduced to 2.75
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SUGAR INDUSTRY IN NEBRASKA'S NEAR THE END

After a Brief Experience With the Cultivation of Saccharine Beets, the Farmers Have Put Them Under the Ban.

TOO MUCH HAND WORK
IN IT TO PLEASE THEM

Ornards Are Moving Their Big Norfolk Plant to Colorado, Where It Will Be Re-established on the Co-operative Style.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 17.—Because the American farmer has despised "the day of small things," the United States will have to go on indefinitely paying some \$30,000,000 annually for sugar raised abroad that could better be grown in this country.

All over the middle-west the dismantling of the great beet sugar factory at Norfolk, Neb., is taken as the death knell of the sugar industry for many years, perhaps for all time. It was the pet and pride of the Ornards, the beet sugar kings, when they opened it almost 15 years ago. All Nebraska was interested; no factory in the United States was so widely "written up" as this pioneer of the Nebraska beet sugar industry. There are still two other plants in Nebraska, at Grand Island and Ames, but both are practically certain to be removed.

It is all because the western farmers can't be cajoled into raising beets. They must be raised by hand. The American farmer has been spoiled for that sort of thing. He wants to sit on a plow, a riding cultivator, a self-binder, and have a piece of machinery do the work.

When it comes to cultivating five acres of beets, doing it by hand, your western farmer kindly but firmly excuses himself. He thinks he's a pauper if he doesn't operate 100 acres, and at that his ambition is to own "all the land joinin'."

They Would Not Do the Hand Work.

Nebraska farmers would not raise beets, and there was the end of it. With the best soil in the world for it, with the highest percentage of machinery matter in their beet roots, with the protective tariff organized with special reference to developing this industry, with the state of Nebraska paying a bounty on beet sugar; with the secretary of the department of agriculture writing hourly bulletins on the immense new industry that was going, right away, to produce, not only sugar for home consumption, but also to drive competition out of the field and monopolize for America the sugar industry of the world—with all this promotion going on, the stubborn conservatism of the Nebraska farmer who proposed to run a farm rather than a garden patch, prevailed against the beet sugar business.

Because he wouldn't raise beets to be ground into the world's sugar supply, the world will have to go elsewhere if it wants sugar for its coffee. Nebraska will struggle along somehow with its principalities of dairy, raising corn and hogs and wheat and the annual average of wealth.

Co-operative Plan

Is the Latest.

The truth is, apparently, that the middle west is too young and new for beet sugar. If New England's soil would raise beets—which it will not.

The great plant is now in process of dismantling and being hauled out to Lamar, Mo., where the Ornards will install it again. It is said that they have an interesting scheme of establishing a semi-co-operative community, bringing people from eastern cities and from Europe to raise the beets. The company will own its own land, install its own irrigation system, and give the part-time people of eastern cities a chance to get out into the sunshine and air.

If the philanthropic side of the scheme works as hoped for, it may prove a boon for the industry and for the people as well. Colorado has some experimental colonies of the sort that have been very successful, and the Ornards have been greatly interested in them. If the plan works, it is said, the plants at Grand Island and Ames will soon be taken out into the sunshine and air.

The Ornard policy of lowering the price for beets year by year has done the industry most damage. The managers say it has been made necessary by commercial conditions. Other experts deny this. There is much mystery about the exact relations between the beet sugar makers and the sugar trust, but it is developed to the satisfaction of all Nebraskans, and especially of dealers who handle sugar at wholesale in large quantities, that the beet sugar producers are not as hostile to the trust as they might be.

DYING HE PENS ACCUSATION

"I've Been Up Against Jim's Gun"
Is Note Found Alongside
Trapper's Body.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 17.—Word has reached here from Chouteau of the discovery of the body of Jacob Ralston in his cabin in the Sun River country by Leonard J. Lowndes, who had been dispatched to notify the famous trapper that his father was on his deathbed. A message was found, written by Ralston when he realized that he was about to die, as follows:

"I have been up against Jim's gun and am shot."
James Fisher, who lived with Ralston last winter, is believed by the officers to be the person referred to in the dead man's message, and the authorities are hunting him.

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Opposite Union Station.
Modern, steam heated, elevator and bell service. \$4.00 per week and up. First-class bar and restaurant in connection. Meals 25c and a la carte. Oysters, sea food and game in season.



Store Open Tomorrow Night and Every Night
Till Christmas as Late as Necessary

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Save Money at the Wor

Tomorrow at 8 a.m. commences a sale of Imported Novelties from all over the world

Save Money on Boys' Suits and Overcoats

Big Sale of Manufacturers' Sample Boys' Clothing, 60c on the Dollar!

Swell Little Suits and Overcoats, just the thing for Xmas gifts, at a big saving!

Free! Japanese War Puzzles with every Boys' Suit or Overcoat!

At
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Boys' 5.00
Suits and
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ALL-WOOL FALL
SUITS, just the
right weight; they
are beautiful chev-
rons, double-breasted
Norfolk and other
styles—also ALL-
WOOL DURABLE
OVERCOATS, good
lengths, up-to-date
materials and styles—
these \$5 and \$6
garments go at

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Boys' Waists

Handsome display in
America—special sale
tomorrow of 150
Waists.

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Boys' 7.00
Suits and
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FINE WORSTED
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Norfolk, double-
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also ALL-WOOL
IRISH FRIEZE
OVERCOATS, cut
extra long, tourist
style, belt in back.
These \$7 and \$8 gar-
ments go at

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Boys' Knee Pants

Fine imported cloths—
All - Wool Pants
worth up to 1.50,
special tomorrow.

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THE "FRANCIS"
Suit or Overcoat
making a hit all
over the East. A
beautiful imported
serge or worsted in
handsome novelty
styles. JUST THE
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Fine imported cloths—
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Extra quality leather, with fine
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Women's and Men's
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Silk Umbrellas, tight-rolling, ex-
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Kid Gloves R

Kid Gloves, imported French
kid, 3-clasp, embroidered
back; black, white and col-
ored; good as any
1.50 glove..... 69c

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Gifts for Men!

Sterling Silver-Plated Shaving Cups and
left..... 2.50
Smoking Sets, containing pipe, cigar-
ette and cigar holders, match box and
three trays; put up in a beauti-
ful satin lined case, only..... 4.00

4.00

Parlor Lamps!

Immense variety—
\$12 down to
98c

98c

Dinner
Sets!

Imported china, pretty decorations,
100 pieces—Monday
special..... 10.98

10.98

Ladies' Handsome Belts

Taffeta and Silk Peau de Soie
Belts; the new girdle style;
shirred and trimmed with little
buttons; all the wanted colors; best value we ever
offered..... 50c

50c

Vases!

Genuine Bonn,
Teplitz, Japanese
and others—\$10
down to..... 48c

48c

Xmas Silks and Dress Goods.

1.00 Silk Crepe de Chine, all
colors..... 49c
50c Taffeta Silks, soft fin-
ished, black and colors..... 25c
1.00 Black Silk Velvet,
19 inches wide..... 48c
80c Velveteen Suitings,
22 inches wide..... 39c
50c silk-finished Hosiery, to
all wool..... 25c
1.50 Black Peau de Soie
Silk, yard wide..... 75c

75c

Xmas Linens and Towels.

65c and 75c all-linen
Table Damask..... 39c
25c Sideboard Scarfs,
54 inches long..... 19c
6.00 hemstitched Table
sets, 10-4 size cloth and 1
dozen napkins..... 3.50
3.50 Marcellus Bed
Spreads..... 1.95
20c German Huck
Towels, large size..... 10c

10c

Trunks with
Trays, Lock
and Key,
3.00
down to
19c

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The Airship—New clock-working toy, representing
Santos-Dumont's successful flight in his airship No.
7 around the Eiffel Tower, Paris—a
1.00 toy—Monday..... 39c

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Steam Engines, immense
variety, lowest prices—
15.00 down
to..... 48c
Steam Trains, locomotives
with steel boilers and
whistles—12.00
down to..... 2.50
Mechanical Railways, with
sawed wig-sleeping
eyes..... 48c

48c

Velocipedes—Steel frames,
bright finish, medium 1.35
size, worth 1.55—
down to..... 1.35

1.35

The Baby Buggy, finest
of all mechanical toys—the
stubborn donkey runs for-
ward, then balks—a dollar's
worth of fun—Mon-
day only at..... 21c

21c

Magie Lanterns—Gar-
anteed—Including 48
pictures..... 1.00

1.00

Puff
Boxes.

500 imitation cut
glass Puff Boxes
with silver-plated
tops; an extra spe-
cial for Monday—
39c

39c

Selling Out Art Needlework!

Goods At Your Own Price!

Brainard & Armstrong's
Finest Wash Embroidery
Silks—regular 3c skein, to
close..... 3 skeins for 1c
J. & P. Coats and Clark's O.
N. T. 4c Spool Silks—
two-to close..... 2c
Silk - Covered Cushions
were 1.00—to
close..... 39c
Fine Drawwork Centers—
large sizes—
15c to..... 1.25
Fine Drawwork Dresser Pillow Tops and Backs—
large sizes—regular 35c goods—
to close, all..... 1.39

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Silks—regular 3

POPULAR STORE

KLIN AVE.

Double Blue Trading Stamps Till Xmas!

Besides saving you money on EVERY PURCHASE made here from now till Xmas, TO ENCOURAGE SHOPPING IN THE MORNING we offer every day from 8 A. M. AND UP TILL 12 O'CLOCK NOON, TWO BLUE STAMPS FOR ONE with each 10c you spend. BLUE STAMPS secure you valuable Xmas gifts in the shape of beautiful lamps, chinaware, glassware, bric-a-brac, etc. They will accumulate rapidly when you get two for one. Take advantage of this liberal offer from 8 to 12 TOMORROW. Look at the BEAUTIFUL PREMIUMS displayed on our boys' clothing floor, the greatest and grandest in the world.

FREE! 2.00 IN STAMPS WITH EVERY NEW BOOK XMAS WEEK.

The Greatest Xmas Store!

Your dollar will go twice as far in this big sale. It will pay you well to attend it!

Santa Claus' Headquarters!

25.00 SILK-LINED COATS 7.50

On Sale Tomorrow, 8 A. M., for

The biggest snap ever offered by any store in America! Beautiful Silk and Satin Lined Ladies', Misses' and Girls' Coats, all new, up-to-date swell garments. All-Wool Kerseys, Meltons, Zibellines, Coverts, Chevots and every other fine cloth. Loose-fitting Tourist Coats, with belt, others tight-fitting, with cape and new collarless effect, as long as 42 inches, some longer. They're beautifully trimmed with velvet and colored piping. The tailoring and fit are perfection themselves. At 8 A. M. Monday sale renewed on these remarks. Don't miss seeing 'em.

12.00 For 30.00 Coats

20.00 For 50.00 Coats

5.00 Albatross Waists, 2.95

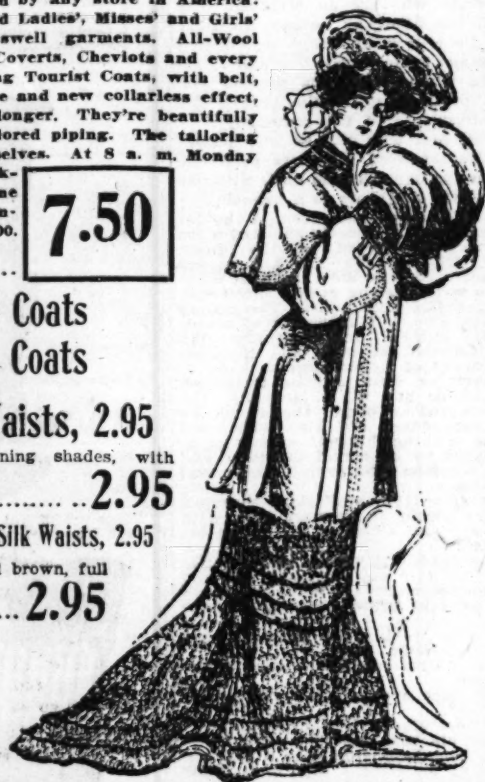
Come in all the beautiful evening shades, with handsome embroidered front, new sleeves, stock collar, at 2.95

Ladies' 5.00 Beau de Soie Silk Waists, 2.95

Come in pink, blue, black and brown, full blouse effects; beautifully tucked and hemstitched; at 2.95

20.00 Suits at 9.95

Tourist Suits, in the mannish materials, loose fitted back, with belt; others tight-fitting effects; 27 inches long—Monday at 9.95



MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS!

Don't Miss the Big Sale Tomorrow On the Greatest Clothing Floor in the World.

9.40 For 12.50 and 15.00 Suits and Overcoats

As fine as any man wants. SUITS are all-wool cassimeres, worsteds and fancy chevots, single and double breasted, in all new shades. OVERCOATS are fine kersey, chevot, etc., in black, blue, gray and other popular shades. Why pay half again as much for these fine garments if you can get them here for 9.40

13.75 for 20.00 Suits and Overcoats!



Prices Reduced 1/2 and Even 1/3 Off the Regular!

A Great Xmas Gift!

\$20 For \$35 French Montagnac Overcoats

There are not three stores in St. Louis who handle the world-renowned genuine Imported Overcoat; of those who have it some sell 'em for 35.00, others for 50.00. Come and see these beautiful silk-lined Coats at the Globe tomorrow for only \$20

17.50 for 25.00 and 30.00 Baltimore Tailor-Made Suits and Overcoats!

ed! Free—A Pretty Glove Box.

French Kid Gloves, every pair guaranteed and fitted to the hand; black, white and all the latest shades; good as any 1.50 glove elsewhere; fancy box with each pair, at 1.00

HANDKERCHIEFS

FREE—A Pretty Box with Each

Exquisite Swiss Embroidered or lace trimmed, hemstitched or scalloped edges, at 25c, 15c and 10c. WOMEN'S OR MEN'S INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS—5 dozen in a pretty box, at 75c. MEN'S JAPANESE SILK INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS—5 dozen in a box, at 25c.

FANS

Special assortment of pretty silk gauze hand-painted fans, worth up to 2.00, .98c here. Fine hand-spangled Lace Fans, pearl or ivory sticks, at less than half price, 7.00 and 5.00 and 2.98

BEAUTIFUL TOILET SETS!

Ebony Comb Brush and Mirror—silver trimmed—neatly put up—will sell them Monday at 1.25. Large size Toilet Cases with 8 fittings; fine salinized cases; never sold a set like this one for 3.50

LEATHER HAND BAGS

Come in black, brown and tan, morocco and seal, with gilt, nickel and oxidized frames and fitted with card case, purse and initial; newest handles; a very sensible gift; prices range from 4.98 down to 1.50

Display in the World!

by Attending the Big Toy and Doll Sale This Week!

NOTICE!

and Tree Ornaments Are on the Furniture and All Large Fourth Floor.



CELEBRATED KESTNER DOLLS—Be-
lieve a doubt the finest imported—beau-
tiful faces—eyes with eyelashes—swept
lips—shoes and stockings—full jointed
spier mache or kid bodies—price, accord-
ing to size, 7.50 down to 1.00
DRESSED DOLLS—Largest assortment in
the city—priced dressed dolls you have
ever seen—all prices ranging
from 7.50 down to 25c
Full assortment of Doll Heads, Bodies,
Arms, Hands, Wigs, Shoes and Stockings.
15c to 25c
Doll Houses and
Stores, 10.00 down to 25c
Simplex Typewriter,
5.00, 2.50 and 1.00



Printing Presses, includ-
ing implements, 1.50, 1.00 and .48c

Loop-the-Loop, 5 ft. long,
just like the one at For-
est Park, all metal, noth-
ing to break or get out of
order; the 1.00 size, Monday
at .69c

Shoo-Fly, of good quality,
sold everywhere at 39c

Shin Horses and An-
imals, 10.00 down to 50c
Hocking Horses, hard
wood, with saddle and
stirrups, worth 1.65, .98c

Foot Chests, full of tools,
5.00 down to 19c

Iron Hook and Ladder Pinnas, Schoenut make,
Truck, 1.75 down to 25c 15.00 down to 19c

Smoking Jackets!

Excellent quality
all-wool Coats,
fancy back, spe-
cial at 4.75



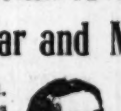
Lounging Robes!

Exceptional
values, from \$5
down to 2.45



Neckwear and Mufflers!

MEN'S
NECKWEAR.
Latest Paris
or Vienna
fashions, each
in fancy box,
at \$1.00 and
50c



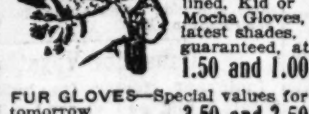
Men's Suspenders!

Pretty patterns, silk
webs, kid leather
ends, each in fancy
box, at \$2.00,
\$1.00 and 50c



Men's Gloves!

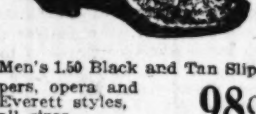
Adler's cele-
brated silk-
lined or un-
lined, Kid or
Mocha Gloves,
latest shades,
guaranteed, at
1.50 and 1.00



FUR GLOVES—Special values for
tomorrow at 3.50 and 2.50

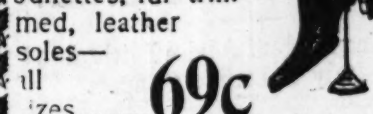
Slippers!

Men's 1.50 Black and Tan Slip-
pers, opera and
Everest styles,
all sizes 98c



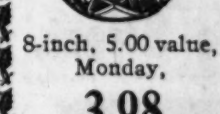
Juliettes!

Ladies' 1.25 Felt
Juliettes, fur trim-
med, leather
soles—
all 69c



Cut Glass Bowls!

8-inch, 5.00 value,
Monday,
3.98



Xmas Blankets and Curtains!

7.50 White Lamb's Wool Cal-
ifornia Blankets, 12-4
size, pair 4.75
6.50 Flaid California Blankets,
finest wool, 11-4 size,
pair 5.00

20.00 best Tapestry Brussels
Room Rugs, size 9x12
12 feet 10.00
30.00 Wilton Velvet Room Rugs,
size 9x12
feet 15.00

Free! A Pretty Doll With Boys' and
Girls' Shoes!

Special for Monday—300 pairs of Boys' and Girls'
Heavy Sole Durable Shoes—they are
worth every cent of 2.00—come
early and get the pick. 1.29

Ladies' 3.50
Sample Shoes... 2.45

Heavy sole Shoes in patent leather and
vici kid, 1/2 foxing, military and Cuban
heels—all sizes—worth
every cent of 3.50—
tomorrow 2.45

Xmas Lace Curtain Sale!

2.00 Lace Curtains, pair 98c
3.00 Lace Curtains, pair 1.50

4.00 Lace Curtains, pair 1.98
5.00 Lace Curtains, pair 2.50
7.50 Lace Curtains, pair 3.95

Save Money at This Big Sale of HATS AND CAPS!

MEN'S SEAL PLUSH CAPS—
In turban and Brighton shapes,
handsomely satin
lined the 2.50 and 1.75
3.00 kind at 1.50
Cheaper grades as low as 50c.

BOYS' CAPS, TAMS AND
TOQUES—In all the late styles,
including the Laplander—there is
no better cap made for
1.00—Special Holiday
values 45c

MEN'S HATS—The new Holiday
styles and colors—soft or stiff—
they are what usually sell at
2.00—Special
Holiday
Price 1.75

EXPERTS TELL
FARMERS HOW TO
PRODUCE CORN

After Nebraska Is Visited Bur-
lington's Special Will Make
Tours of Illinois, Iowa and Mis-
souri, With Its Lecture Crew
Aboard.

STATE UNIVERSITIES
SUPPLY THE TEACHERS.

Thirty-Minute Stops Are Made at
Advertised Places and Instruc-
tion Is Given in a Commodious
Lecture Hall on Wheels.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 17.—The farmers
of Nebraska are being provided with an
opportunity to put themselves more closely
in touch with the experiment station of
their state university and get the benefit
of the systematic and practical study of
corn culture and the tests that are being
made at that institution.

A special train, provided by the Bur-
lington railroad, is touring the state, mak-
ing 30-minute stops at numerous places,
when experts in corn culture lecture. The
train began here last Wednesday and will
continue until Tuesday night.

Later, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri will
be toured in a similar manner.

The special includes two private cars,
occupied by Prof. T. L. Lyon of the Uni-
versity of Nebraska, Prof. Holden of the
University of Iowa, Prof. Hopkins of the
University of Illinois, a representative of
the University of Missouri, and by various
officials of the Burlington route. A large
coach is equipped as a lecture room, with
charts and maps about the walls, with
other corn data, and with equipment for
making practical tests determining the
germinating power of seeds.

Whenever the special is scheduled to stop
it is halted conveniently near the depot,
and the lecture begins as soon as the
crowd is about. All communities being ad-
vised in advance of the arriving time of
the train. After the lecture is over, those
in the car are supplied with printed
copies of it, and with other literature, to
be provided principally by the university
of the state in which the special is then
traveling.

In January, probably about January 10,
this special will move into Illinois and
spend many days there. In February it
will tour Iowa; in the early part of March
Missouri, and in the latter part of March
western Nebraska, and possibly Wisconsin.

On this latter trip the special will work
in conjunction with not only the agricul-
tural department of the University of Ne-
braska, but with the plant pathology di-
vision of the United States department of
agriculture, the purpose being to give ad-
ditional impetus to the present rapid
reclamation and development of the agri-
cultural parts of Nebraska, and, perhaps, Wy-
oming. In addition to the lectures and the
circulation of literature on seed corn and
soil inoculation, there will be, for the first
time, a general and generous distribution of
Prof. Moore's nitrogen bacilli. Chesters
with packages of Russian wheat, from the
semi-arid districts of Russia and Algeria,
and of Kersten oats, which experiments
have proved, are adapted quite admirably
to such soil and latitude as those of west-
ern Nebraska.

In the sections referred to the farmers
have raised 32 to 35 bushels per acre of
macaroni wheat, and an even larger per-
centage per acre of Kersten oats. It is
the claim of the agricultural department
of the state universities that these dis-
tricts can be made as productive as the
famous macaroni wheat districts of Rus-
sia, where climate conditions and the na-
ture of the soil are exactly similar.

The special is under the general super-
vision of W. H. Mank, industrial com-
missioner at 20 Adams street. Citizens
who have announced that any inquiries
concerning the special addressed to him
either before or after they have arrived
will receive prompt attention from one of the
professors or whoever seems best qualified
to answer the questions asked.

END OF A FAMOUS VINEYARD

Great California Fruit Raising
Property to Be Converted Into
Gold Mine.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—It is reported
that the Guggenheims of New York, widely
known as among the biggest mining op-
erators in this country and Mexico, have con-
cluded a deal for the purchase of the famous Na-
toma vineyard near Folsom.

The Natoma vineyard, known as the
largest vineyard in the state, embraces 400
acres of land. In recent years it has at-
tracted the attention of some of the biggest
mining men in the country, and a number
of examinations made by experts and en-
gineers has shown it to be one of the best
dredging propositions in the state, the
ground being rich in gold. The property has
been owned up to the present time by
Charles Webb Howard, who bequeathed it to
R. J. Hanford.

Hanford has been negotiating with the
Guggenheims, and the latter, it is now
said, have agreed to take the property for
\$2,000,000, which is at the rate of \$50 an
acre. Reports of experts show that the
ground will yield from 25 to 30 cents a
cubic yard, and that it can be dredged for
40 cents a yard, there remains a big mar-
gin of profit for the operators who take
over the property. The Natoma vineyard
is by far the largest gold dredging propo-
sition the state has ever seen. The Guggen-
heims are expected to put a large number
of dredgers at work to wash out the gold.
Mining men say they would not be so re-
luctant to see 25 or 30 dredgers put to work on
the vineyard. One dredger can dredge about
one acre of ground a month, at which rate
it would take 30 dredgers over 12 years to
work over the entire 400 acres.

HOLIDAY RATES VIA BIG FOUR.
Dec. 24, 25, 26 and Jan. 1 and 2. Tickets
Broadway and Chestnut and Union Station.

TOOK DEAD MAN ABOUT CITY.

Boys Thought Occupant of Buggy
Was Drunk.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
ADRIAN, Mich., Dec. 17.—Boys going
home from school on Broad street dis-
covered what they supposed was an intem-
perant man in a buggy.

One little fellow, with more nerve than
the others, climbed into the rig and drove
into the city, where he turned the rig
over to Under-sheriff Stout. The officer
drove to the jail and not until the man
was taken inside was the discovery made
that he was dead.

Death was due to heart disease, and the
deceased turned out to be George Farn-
ham, a well-known horseman. He had died on
his way to the city from his home in the
eastern part of the state. The remains were
taken home to an ambulance.

POSED AS BROTHER TO WED HIS COUSIN

Now Forgery and Bigamy Are
Charged to an Enterprising
Kentuckian.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
MT. STERLING, Ky., Dec. 17.—Officers of Mercer County are searching for Arnold Royalty, a prominent young man of near Harrodsburg, who is charged with forgery and bigamy.

Last January Royalty was married to Miss Zora Van Diver and left her soon afterwards. Last Friday it is alleged, he went to Harrodsburg in company with Miss Zora Royalty, his cousin, and at the county clerk's office applied for a marriage license, representing himself to be Prince Royalty, who is his brother. He is said to have forged the name of his brother to the marriage bond and the couple were married. A warrant for his arrest was sworn out by the father of his former wife.

Royalty is connected with one of the most prominent families in the country. It is believed he has left the country.

LEFT HER FORTUNE TO HER COACHMAN

Heirs of Mrs. Elenora Chambers
Are Fighting the Will for
\$150,000.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—The will of Mrs. Elenora Chambers has been filed for probate, and the testatrix left \$150,000 to her coachman. The will is to be contested on the ground that she was of unsound mind when she executed the instrument.

The fortunate coachman was Harry Graves, who was still in the service of Mrs. Chambers when she died in California last September.

Mrs. Chambers lived in Indianapolis most of her life and was the daughter of T. A. Morris. He left her a large fortune. Graves applied for a position at the home of Mrs. Chambers as coachman when he was in rags. She gave him employment. She owned good horses, and he drove them well. She liked him. When she later went to California to live, she took her coachman with her, and when it was discovered last fall after her death that she had left all her large fortune to Graves there was no end of talk in local social circles.

HOW COAL BUILT TOWN, WRECKED IT, THEN REMADE IT

Indiana Mining Community, After
Season of Prosperity, Was Aban-
doned Because Vein Upon Which
Growth Was Founded Had
Given Out.

AFTER LONG DESERTION IT IS THRIVING AGAIN

All Because It Was Discovered
That There Is Another Rich
Vein There, Though Experts
Had Declared There Could Be
None.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
SHELBY, Ind., Dec. 17.—Old King Coal is a capricious old soul. He makes towns and wrecks them. Then he turns the tables and wrecks them. His latest prank is an interesting one. He wrecked the town of Shelby, then changed moods and built it up again.

Shelby is in Sullivan county, twenty-one miles south of Terre Haute on the Evansville & Terre Haute railroad. The railroad, built in the middle of the last century was responsible for its existence. Coal was discovered under the town and a healthy boom started. The town grew, but never to proportions to entitle it to any other name than town.

During the last ten years of the nineteenth century, after it was thought the field had been thoroughly worked and coal became scarce under Shelby, the town dwindled away. The miners departed, the coal operators closed the old mines, and the once thrifty town was left to die.

It was then that King Coal planned a surprise. The impression had prevailed at Shelby that the coal did not lie west of the E. & T. H. railroad, which runs north and south through the center of the town. The operators, therefore, did not turn their mine ways west of the line of railroad. Just when Shelby was dying for want of coal fields, the new town of Jacksonville, eighteen miles eastward, sprang up like magic. Coal in vast quantities was found to exist there. The vein was a little farther down than that of the old Shelby field.

Then Came
the Revival.

Jacksonville's boom brought millions of dollars into the new field for investment. Some Chicago capitalist even ventured the thought that perhaps coal did exist west of the E. & T. H. railroad at Shelby. They had a test made. Coal equally good as that at Jacksonville was discovered. New Shelby, once dead, has been resurrected and is on a boom.

Mines by the score are being sunk around the town. The boom has extended to Sullivan, the county seat of Sullivan County, six miles south of Shelby. Sullivan has extended her corporate limits a mile to the northward and new streets have been opened. Houses are being built as fast as the mechanics can put them up and they are rented before completion.

The new streets of Sullivan, in commemoration of this campaign year, have been named after men who shone in the political arena, including Roosevelt, Parker and Bryan. Mines are going down around Sullivan in a hurry, too, and there is earnest competition between the county seat and Shelby for boom honors. The greatest interest centers around Shelby, however, as that town had been labeled a "goner."

New brick business blocks are taking the place of the old ramshackle frames that occupied the main street of Shelby prior to the second coming of King Coal. And in the residence district the old inhabitants are repainting their houses in order to make them as presentable as the scores of new houses that are being built. Shelby has far outgrown her old bounds. A year ago the population was estimated at between 400 and 500. Now it is said to be fully five times that much, and before another year has passed it is estimated that Shelby will boast a population of between 2000 and 3000.

All Their Homes Exactly Alike.

The Mammoth Coal Co., with mines a mile south of Shelby, has built a hundred houses that are superior to the company houses usually built at coal mines. They are all of the same type, and there are three rows of them. It is a matter of fun around there to blindfold a child and have him find his home. It is a difficult task because all the houses are alike. There are stories told, too, about miners who come home late from lodge and get into the wrong house.

Other coal companies are building company houses, too, and before the first of the year it is expected that five or six hundred new houses will have been constructed in New Shelby. One of the best evidences of the growth of Shelby is at the town school. The rooms are crowded to the doors with little Americans. An addition has been built to it that is twice the size of the original building.

The Southern Indiana railroad is doing much for the development of the new field, as is also the E. & T. H. since it has passed to the control of the Frisco. Both roads are laying a network of sidetracks through the coal fields of Greene, Sullivan and Vigo counties. The Southern Indiana has stolen into the territory previously held exclusively by the E. & T. H. It is building a branch coal road into Sullivan and Shelby from its main line. The Illinois Central is also coming in here and the competition for business promises to be excited.

PLANS TO RAISE COTTON IN SOUDAN.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
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PARIS, Dec. 17.—M. H. Barot, president of the cotton syndicate at Rouen, tells the Post-Dispatch correspondent that the big cotton crop in America will have no bearing on the plans for raising cotton in the Sudan, but only emphasizes the uncertainty of the American crop and the necessity of soundness and rapidity in cotton.

GREASING ROLLERS FOR BUTLERITES

Democratic City Central Commit-
tee Called to Meet Next Mon-
day Night by Members.

A meeting of the Democratic city central committee has been called for next Monday night by 18 of the 28 members, for the supposed purpose of "rolling" five Butler committeemen, including Chairman John R. McCarthy. The 18 members who notified Chairman McCarthy of the call are considered Hayes men, and the four Butlerites besides the chairman to be thrown out of the committee are said to be J. J. Farley of the Twenty-second, J. B. Wil-

liams of the Fourteenth, Robert J. Carroll of the Twenty-fifth and Isaac Conran of the Fifth ward.

Save 20 Per Cent
On all Leather Goods by buying of Lam-
bert-Deacon-Hull, 512 Locust. For fur-
ther particulars see Monday's papers.

TWO CENTS IN THE DOLLAR.

Disappointment for Creditors of
the Humbert Swindlers.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
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PARIS, Dec. 17.—The creditors of the Humbert swindlers who were expecting to receive some money from the partition of the remnants of the estate, recently received the disagreeable information that the state is to be reimbursed to the amount of \$26,000 for the expenses of the Humbert trial. It is not thought that the remaining amount will net the creditors more than 2 cents on the dollar.

KING SENDS PIANO TO LONELY MONKS

One He Gave Them Years Ago to
Relieve Solitude Is
Worn Out.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
LONDON, Dec. 17.—King Edward, with his unusual kindness and forethought, has presented another piano to the monks of St. Bernard. The instrument was carried on a sleigh across the dangerous Alpine paths, and reached the convent only after great difficulties.

When the King, as Prince of Wales, visited the monks years ago, the monotonous solitude of their life excited his compas-

sion. He sent a piano to them, and the good monks, shut away amid eternal snows, could have received no gift more welcome. Lately, the King heard that the old piano was worn out, so he ordered another sent immediately to the lonely St. Bernard.

Wedding Rings (Solid Gold).
Finest qualities, \$1 to \$20. Mermel &
Jaccard's Broadway and Locust.
Write for catalogue. Mailed free.

Dividing the Income.

Mr. Newell—Well, we are beginning housekeeping and I presume the simplest plan will be for me to give you a regular amount every week for expenses. Just figure up what it will cost.

Mrs. Newell—I could never do that in the world—so many things to count, you know; but let-me-see. Oh, I have it! I have thought of a much simpler plan.

"All right, my angel! What is it?"

"You figure up what it will cost you for train fare and lunches, and give me the rest."—London Tit-Bits.

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TWO ROOMS FURNISHED COMPLETE. Terms, \$3.00 Per Month.	\$45	CASH OR CREDIT	THREE ROOMS FURNISHED COMPLETE. Terms, \$5.00 Per Month.	\$73
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THESE BEAUTIFUL IMPORTED BISQUE FIGURES

They come in assorted pairs to match and are decorated in fancy tints; stand 10 inches high and are exquisite in design and finish. They will ornament any cabinet or mantel. The regular price is \$1 per pair. They will make a acceptable Christmas presents. Our Special Price:

Per Pair, 33c

500 beautiful gold lacquered Florentine design Picture Frames, size 8x10; they are so constructed that they will hold any size cabinet photograph—the regular price is \$1.00, on sale Monday at our Special Price:

20c

2000 Large Busts of figure Coquelin, Cleopatra, Nymph, Winter and other subjects. They represent the best value ever offered. 16 1/2 inches high, actual \$1.50 value—Special Price:

49c

Our line of Trunks is the most complete in the city. We sell them on terms to suit the convenience of purchasers. Most anyone would appreciate a trunk as a Christmas present. We have them as low as:

\$2.98

We carry all makes of Ranges and offer a Range like illustration, guaranteed to be a good baker and equal in construction to higher priced Ranges—our Special Price:

\$22.85

TERMS, 50c PER WEEK

Open Every Evening Until 9 p. m. Till Christmas.

We carry a complete line of Heating Stoves, including Airtights, Base Burners and Oak Heaters, as low as:

\$3.48

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Tax bills for 1904 will have to be paid on or before the 31st inst. The heavy penalties provided by law on delinquent taxes will be enforced after January 1st, 1905. Payments now will save time and inconvenience to taxpayers.

St. Louis, December 16th, 1904.

L. F. HAMMER, JR.,
Collector of Revenue, City of St. Louis.

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Post-Dispatch Readers

...EVERY DAY...

THAN IT HAS HOMES

This Week the Hartman Store Presents a Vast Exposition of Artistic Home Furnishings That Are Especially Suitable for

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The handsomest and most artistic furnishings, unique and attractive novelties, pleasing wall ornaments, artistic draperies and beautiful rugs—articles that will be highly appreciated by every member of the family, and articles that will add comfort and beauty to every room, nook and corner of the home. It will be easy this Christmas to present such substantial gifts, for Hartman's Generous Credit Plan enables you to give full expression to the Christmas sentiment without the ordinary outlay of cash. A few of this week's special offerings are mentioned below.

Three-piece Parlor Suit, in polished mahogany finish, hand-rubbed; very best steel-tempered springs; covered with imported velours, the frames beautifully carved; Hartman's price, during the entire week, only.....

\$12.25

Pantesote Leather Couch

\$12.85

Princess Dresser

An elegant piece of bedroom furniture in richly polished, quarter-sawn oak, elegant large beveled mirror and full serpentine swelled front; Hartman's price this week, only

\$12.75

This Elegant Rocker

In solid oak or mahogany finish, highly polished, heavy and substantially made; you can have them in either leather or saddle seat this week for

\$2.95

This Elegant Solid Oak Morris Chair

Elaborately carved in solid hand-polished oak; covering, in either imported velours or Pantesote leather; this week at

\$10.75

Ladies' Writing Desk

In solid quartered sawed oak; beautifully grained, or in polished mahogany finish and heavy French legs; one of our specials this week for

\$5.75

LADIES' MASSIVE TOILET TABLES

In handsome quarter-sawn oak or rich mahogany finish, with large French plate mirror and fancy shaped French legs. Hartman's price this week

\$11.75

Combination BOOK CASE and DESK

\$10 oak, high-polish finish, has well arranged desk section, with cabinet fine book shelves and French beveled mirror—our price during entire week

\$10.50

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Stupendous Sale of Linens, Bedding & Rugs

\$25,000 Worth From the Inside Inn.

Commencing at 8 o'clock Monday Morning and continuing all week, we will place on sale for LANGAN & TAYLOR, purchasers of the entire furnishings of the INSIDE INN, all Linen, Bedding and Rugs at special prices that will move them at once.

SHEETS of fine quality and good as new, only	25c	TABLE CLOTHS, full size, all linen	75c
PILLOW SLIPS to match Sheets	6c	NAPKINS, Linen, to match	7c
TOWELS, in perfect condition	2c	COMFORTS of White Cotton	75c
BED SPREADS, fine quality	50c	GOOD BLANKETS, in perfect condition, per pr.	65c
LACE CURTAINS, while they last, per pair	40c	PILLOWS, fine feathers, 6 lbs., per pair	90c

IMPORTED SMYRNA RUGS, used only on one side, \$2.50 to \$4.75—Sizes 3x9 to 6x9

Remember, The Inside Inn sold its entire furnishings to Langan & Taylor, and we have the exclusive control of this stock. No other house in St. Louis can sell you one single article from the INSIDE INN. ALL FURNITURE will also be on sale during this Special Linen, Bedding and Rug Sale, at half its value. Iron Beds, \$1.50 up; Elegant Mattresses, \$1.25 to \$3.50; Fine Dressers, \$5.00, and everything in proportion.

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DO YOU FEEL THE COLD?

You would not if your blood was not thin and impure.

CUNDURANGO

Will put your blood and system in shape to resist cold and pneumonia.

ASK YOUR DRUGGIST.

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REDUCED RATES.

American Plan, \$2.00. European Plan, \$1.00.

Market Street Cor. Direct to and from Station.

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Parkhurst Apartment Hotel,

228 N. TAYLOR AV.

Between Lindell and Maryland. Suites of two or more rooms. Private bath. CAFE ACCOMMODATIONS.

An Extraordinary Assortment

of articles of value are advertised in the Post-Dispatch want columns. The number of For Sale ads printed during November was 464, and was 100 more than appeared in the next largest St. Louis want medium during the same period. "Wants in November."

FEW MINUTES WITH A PANAMA REVOLT

How They Do Things by Bloodless Wars Down in the Canal Zone.

ARMY IS NOW OUT OF A JOB

With the Rebellion Concession Suppressed by Uncle Sam, Uniforms Are a Drug.

Special Correspondence of the Post-Dispatch.
ANCON, Canal Zone, Panama, Dec. 17.—Forty American marines in solid khaki uniforms overpowered the many-headed poppy army of the Republic of Panama and put an effective damper on the latest revolution in this newest of fervid South American republics.

The revolution did not have a fair start. A native of the tropics needs at least a fortnight's deliberation before even going so far as to change his mind. Before the revolutionary spirit had been in the air a week the marines were here and the expected fireworks were called off.

Panama is a land of government concessions. Somebody has a concession for each thing from selling charcoal and artificial ice to importing cigarettes and running a \$5,000 lottery. Hitherto, as in all other South and Central American republics except Costa Rica, the army by tacit consent has held the revolution concession. In Panama they were pulled off semi-annually. There is a cock fight every Sunday, a bull fight every month and a revolution every rainy season.

A revolution is more interesting, quicker, and less expensive than an election on the Australian ballot system and just as effective in changing the party in power. Since the United States has assumed its informal guardianship over this republic the revolution concession has apparently been revoked. The army in disgust has disbanded.

Gen. Huertas, hero of a dozen revolutions, in one of which he lost a hand, has retired amid a closing burst of loud protestations of undying loyalty coughed inimitable Spanish rhetoric to be general of reserves—salary \$250 gold per month.

End of All Revolutions.

There will be no more revolutions in Panama. The natives must learn to conduct elections on modern lines with the "float" and "heeler" instead of the army and its innumerable "colonels," which are as plentiful in Panama as in Kentucky.

The local newspapers impersonally announce the wiping out of the republic's army—due to the appearance of 40 marines—as follows:

"Owing to the resignation of Gen. Huertas of the post of commander-in-chief yesterday, and out of loyalty to him who has brought them safely out of numerous bloody encounters in the late revolution, and also largely due to the fact that they can make a much better living, though not so easily, as ordinary laborers, many of the soldiers have asked for and obtained their discharge."

As each retiring soldier receives a month's salary—\$15 in "monkey" money—\$7.50 American gold—upon becoming civilians, few leave gone back to their usual occupations of ordinary laborers. All can easily obtain work on the canal.

Gen. Huertas retains his popularity. His cocks won two of the six fights in the local pit on Sunday. He has the promise of the owner of the British Derby winner. Just now he is in interior with Lones B. Harris of Chicago and 200 natives, testing one of his mines for gold. The diminutive, boyish appearing general—height 4 feet 11 inches; weight 35 pounds—has long been the most popular man in the republic. He is also one of the wealthiest, though through the canal zone or Spanish and his literary education is limited to the ability to write his own name. Much of his fortune is invested in New York realty.

Gaudy Uniforms for the Soldiers.

Each Panama soldier had three gorgeous and ill-fitting suits of uniform. They will now grace diggers in the trenches of the isthmian canal, but are locked in the vaults of the government. With no army, the government has no need for uniforms, and many comic opera choruses can be equipped with the supply. Each soldier was to receive a new pair of turkey red trousers in honor of Gen. Taft's arrival, and these with their pristine creases uncrumpled are now on the market.

The marines are now permanently quartered on the hospital grounds of the isthmian canal commission at Ancon, just outside of Panama. Pickets guard the bound-

GIRL MAY KNOW WHERE MISSING TREASURER IS

Discovery of Wilted Flowers, Bearing Her Card, in Desk of Officer, Short \$60,000, Leads Police to Interview Her, But She Does Not Enlighten Them.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 17.—Officers employed by the bondsmen of Frank Obchain, the missing treasurer of Cass County, who is thought to be short nearly \$60,000 in his accounts, are proceeding on the theory that Miss Kittie Ott, a pretty girl, of 129 Bellefontaine street here, may know where he is. Several have called on her, but she has not given them a clue.

Miss Ott was brought into the case in a peculiar manner. Bondsmen in going through his desks found in one a large pasteboard box containing carnations and roses, all wilted, but containing Miss Ott's card and address. She admits that she sent him the flowers.

"But I meant nothing in sending him that box of flowers. He and I were good friends, you know, and I thought they would please him," she said. "I have not seen the man for fully three months."

Did he say anything then about going away? she was asked. "Yes, he did," she replied. "He told me that he intended to leave the country in a very short time. And it would not be because of any shortage in his accounts, either, he said."

Mr. Obchain told me that a certain Loganport woman, a stenographer—he did not mention her name—had made his life miserable for months. She was in love with him, he said, and persisted in bothering him. Many times he had tried to rid himself of her, but had failed. She had threatened to expose him, he told me, and he had become desperate. The only way to get rid of her is to leave the country, he said. "I have decided to do that, and very soon, too." That evening is the last time I saw Mr. Obchain. What I have told is all the light I can throw on the case.

Roughly estimated Obchain misappropriated the funds as follows:
Real estate bought by him.....\$12,000.00
Loaned to manufacturing concerns 20,000.00
Oil and mining stocks..... 5,000.00
Individual loans..... 15,000.00
For the above, stocks, notes and other collateral were found in the treasurer's office, but it is impossible to determine how

dary line between the canal zone and the republic. Every one attempting to enter the American strip is halted, and few natives are permitted to pass. Each marine carries 30 rounds of ammunition and has orders to shoot. A strong guard of native police is impounded at the canal zone, the isthmus, surrounds President Amador's palace night and day.

The marines and four warships of the Pacific squadron are already here. Minister Baugh arrived with John F. Wallis, chief engineer of the canal, on the last New Orleans steamer. A congressional committee comes on the next New York steamer. Gen. Taft, special envoy from President Roosevelt, comes on the next. Major-General Davis, governor of the canal zone, is performing the usual functions. With these the usual representatives of the United States it is expected that the "little general" can be kept on his good behavior.

SAYS THE EARTH IS FLAT.

Lake Captain Declares the Sun Moves in a Circle.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17.—Capt. C. H. Francke, commander of the big steel freighter George Stone and well known on the lakes, believes that the earth is flat and that he can prove it. He is also certain that "the sun do move."

According to the captain the earth is a flat-bound plain as flat as a pancake. The sun cuts a circle over the earth, presenting alternately a bright disk and a dark disk, producing day and night. His experience as a navigator has impressed these truths upon his mind and he says, "I can prove 'em, too." Capt. Francke says:

"So to the north or south and you strike ice. So to the east and west and you do not find it, because no one can sail due east or west. There is one magnetic pole right in the center of the earth. Sailing to the east or west the deflection of a needle of the compass is such that a vessel merely sails in a circle about this central pole."

"If you go up in a balloon on a calm day at a speed of 30,000 miles a day you ought to be some 10,000 miles away from your starting point."



Frank Obchain.

much can be realized on the collateral. It is expected that further discrepancies will bring the total shortage to about \$60,000.

Bondsmen say that they will be able to realize almost enough from the securities to meet the shortage, but this is unlikely. Obchain was treasurer of the Misklem Furnace Co. and in this capacity, it is said, advanced money for equipping the plant with modern machinery. Obchain had \$54,000 county funds in the local banks and it is not believed that he went away with more than a few hundred dollars.

Obchain has a wife and four children. Apparently he had no bad habits and lived an exemplary life. He lived simply and economically and had no fast associates. His downfall is attributed entirely to speculation and bad investments. It is known that he lent large sums to Loganport people without sufficient security. It has developed that friends took advantage of his generosity and borrowed freely. He seldom refused to accommodate applicants for loans, and it is said that not less than \$30,000 was lent to persons who will hardly be able to repay a third of the amount. He also bought oil and mining stocks and made so much money on his first deals that he seemed to have no limit. He was plunked on anything that offered large returns. It is not believed that he speculated on the Board of Trade. If he proposed to make a complete investigation and the firm and individuals who obtained the money do not relish the prospect of publicity.

BOTH LOSE IN DIVORCE CASE

Indiana Judge Renders a Judgment So Involved Litigants Thought They Won.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 17.—One of the most peculiar judgments handed down recently in the Jay Circuit Court was one rendered by Judge Macy in the case of David Wilson against James Wilson for divorce.

For two hours after the case was decided that it involved the divorce had been granted. Mrs. Wilson believed that a decree had been granted her and Wilson thought that he had triumphed.

Mrs. Wilson applied for a divorce a year ago, charging her husband with cruel and inhuman treatment and failure to provide. Wilson filed a cross-complaint, charging abandonment.

In deciding the case Judge Macy found for the defendant on her answer to the cross-complaint, and for the defendant on his answer to the original complaint, taking up the costs of one to the other. Neither received a divorce.

Today is a Good Day for the loved one's Christmas. Do you know that you can give a splendid diamond by paying as little as \$5 or \$10 on delivery? You can pay the balance monthly and never feel the expenditure. Your account will be very welcome, but come soon. Loftis Bros. & Co., 206 North Sixth street, 2d floor, Carleton Bldg.

A Natural Consequence.
Dyer: So Higbee has become bankrupt. Why? Yes, he tried to run a 40-horsepower auto on a 5-horsepower salary.—Town Topics.

St. Louis has more Post-Dispatch readers every day than it has homes. "First in everything."

SENATOR'S FIRST MOVE DOESN'T INDICATE HE INTENDS TO ALLOW NEGRO'S CONFIRMATION.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The name of Crum, while not exactly a household word, has become known to politicians of all sections of the country as the most striking synonym for "trouble" that has confronted the Senate of the United States in many a day.

Even though the Senate be in its usual tranquil and dignified mood, the mention of Crum means trouble, both mental and oratorical, from the Democratic side. This has been so ever since President Roosevelt named the South Carolina negro for the important post of collector of customs at Charleston, to which nomination practically all the dominant white influence of the Palmetto state protested loudly but ineffectually. And yet National Committeeman John G. Cannon, the United States district attorney for that section, said: "If any negro is to be appointed, I would rather see Crum get it than any one else."

This was one of the arguments which supported the President's determination to name Crum in spite of the protests from the white people of the state and the unyielding opposition of the senators from South Carolina. Taking Capers' words, he felt convinced that Crum was opposed not because of lack of ability or of any personal objection to him as a good citizen, but solely on the ground of his color. While there is no intimation yet from the senator to support that belief. On the contrary, he has given notice in the Senate that he desires no action on the nomination until the Senate has received from the Judiciary committee the long awaited report on the legality of recess appointments.

This declaration brings in the question of senatorial courtesy, which every member of the body regards as a dangerous thing to toy with, lest a breaking of custom may react against himself similarly at some inopportune moment. Hence the Crum appointment is held up, awaiting a report on the points of law involved in the negro collector's second nomination a year ago, when a "constructive recess" was officially declared to exist between the closing of the extra session and the opening of the regular session the next morning.

PRESIDENT TO HAVE FOUR SOCIAL AIDES

Young and Good-Looking Army Officers Are Designated for Envious Honor.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Four lucky young men have just been appointed social aids at the White House for the coming winter. They are Lieut. Roscoe C. Bulmer of the navy, Lieut. Harry Randolph Lay of the marine corps and Lieuts. Dan T. Moore and Granville R. Fortescue of the army.

These assignments of duty, the holders of which are regarded as extremely enviable, are distributed not as rewards for military services performed, but merely in recognition of the personal popularity and agreeableness of the recipients. Grizzled veterans are not chosen for work of this kind. A social aid to the President should be good-looking, clever, well-mannered and self-possessed; he should also be young, experienced in the usages of polite society, and beyond criticism in the matter of attire. Above all, he should look well in a uniform. All of these qualities distinguish the four officers above mentioned.

Now, it ought not to be supposed that these young officers will have nothing to do but help Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt to entertain. They have regular work to do at the war and navy departments, and for their services at the White House they receive no extra pay.

Whenever the President gives a dinner there is always one of the social aids on hand to receive the guests. It would not be consistent with etiquette for Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt to wait, like ordinary folk, the arrival of the persons invited. They are obliged, whether they wish it or not, to assume a quasi-royal formality. They do not go downstairs until all the guests are assembled, and the latter are received in the red room by the young officer who greets them as the representative of the President, introduces them to each other, and does whatever else he can to make things go pleasantly.

When 8 o'clock the dinner hour arrives, the social aids go upstairs, inform Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt that the guests are waiting, and escort them downstairs—not into the Red Room, however, but into the Blue Room. Then he ushers the guests by one and two from the Red Room into the Blue Room, and presents them to the President and his wife. As soon as this formality has been completed, Mr. Roosevelt offers his right arm to the lady whom, as previously arranged, he is to take in to dinner. Mrs. Roosevelt takes the arm of the gentleman who has been assigned to her and the others follow.

These young men serve under the direction of Colonel Charles S. Bromwell, Mr. Roosevelt's military aid, officially so designated. He is the master of ceremonies in the White House, and immediately under him is Maj. Charles McCaffrey of the Marine Corps, to whom has been delegated the management of the most of the social business of the establishment, as on New Year's day, introduces each individual to the President, while Maj. McCaffrey makes the presentations to Mrs. Roosevelt.

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WINSTON CHURCHILL HAS WON SUCCESS.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
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LONDON, Dec. 17.—Winston Churchill is outstripping all rivals in the rapidly with which he is coming to the front since he joined the Liberal party. He is now the most popular platform speaker the Liberal cause and innumerable demands are made for him by different constituencies. His energy and fertility of mind are amazing; he makes three to four speeches weekly and never repeats himself. He is always interesting and is especially incisive in his criticisms of the government whose members bitterly resent them.

The story goes that the other day the Prince of Wales happened to meet Winston's mother, Mrs. George West. The prince, who sadly lacks the tact and ability of his father, and is an intense believer in Chamberlain, said humbly to Mrs. West: "I am sorry to see the line your son is taking. He certainly is not a peer so disrespectfully of cabinet officers." "Speak so," the prince replied. "His father was also accused of want of reverence, still he became leader of the House of Commons at the age of 24, and was not surprised, sir, if Winston were leader at thirty-two."

JANE TOPPAN NEAR DEATH

Woman Who Poisoned Thirty-One Persons Feels Same Fate and Will Not Eat.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
TAUNTON, Mass., Dec. 17.—Convinced that an attempt is being made to kill her, Jane Toppan, a nurse, who admitted that she poisoned 31 persons, is slowly starving herself to death in the Taunton insane asylum, to which a court committed her for failing to have her take nourishment in a normal way.

The experts who have been watching her fight now say that it cannot last much longer. They now speak of her impending death as a matter of "days and hours."

All the people who befriended her in the course of her trial would still be willing to help her, but she thinks they are persecuting her the worst of all.

RARE OPPORTUNITY!
Entire stock of Japanese Embroidery and art goods must be sold before we go home. K. Takemura Bros., wholesale dealers, third floor, 411 Olive street.

Feminine Amenities.

Louise (softly and gently): Did John hesitate and stutter when he proposed, dearest Nell?
Nell (John's fiancée): Why, no, not a particle.

Louise (not quite so softly and gently): Oh, I am so glad to hear it! I wish you would tell him from me, darling, that it is very encouraging to hear that he has so greatly improved.—Woman's Home Companion.

LEITER WEDDING IN CAPITAL.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—No news could be more favorably received than that from Chicago announcing that the marriage of Miss Daisy Leiter to the Earl of Suffolk would take place at the home of Mrs. L. Z. Leiter in this city on the afternoon of Dec. 22.

Mrs. Leiter is now en route for Washington to arrange for a wedding as quiet as that of Miss Nancy Leiter and Maj. Colin Campbell some days ago.

The earl and his bride will sail for England Dec. 23.

Maj. and Mrs. Colin Campbell are still in Chicago, and will come to Washington just in time for the wedding.

Miss Leiter, the Earl of Suffolk, his sister, Lady Nina Howard, are at the Hotel Florence, in New York, and it is probable will remain there until just before the wedding.

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DEEDS TO SLAIN MAN'S MINE CONE

Police Believe Enemy Followed
Him From Klondike to End
His Life.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 17.—There is in the possession of the police evidence which leads them to believe that, when killed in the Santa Fe freight yards here, Charles Goldstein had in his possession deeds to mining property in Alaska which were valued at about \$120,000.

Information has also been received to the effect that Mr. Goldstein owned two large diamonds. One of these, it is believed, he wore the night he was killed. The other is now in the hands of a prominent citizen who was one of Mr. Goldstein's best friends. This last named stone was placed in this person's hands by Mr. Goldstein the Saturday before the killing occurred. All of this information is in the hands of the police. The police say they have absolutely no clew which seems likely to lead to the apprehension of the person or persons who committed the crime.

In discussing the crime they adhere to the theory first announced, that Mr. Goldstein was killed by someone who came here

from Seattle or Dawson City for that purpose. The officers say that they will be in position to make further effort to secure an arrest as soon as they have heard from Mrs. Charles Goldstein, who is in Dawson City. Just when they expect to receive information from Mrs. Goldstein they will not say.

In regard to the deeds for the mining property it can be stated that it was because of them that Mr. Goldstein came to Dallas. The property had not all been paid for and his notes were outstanding for the balance. On this balance he was forced to pay 18 per cent interest, which, it is stated, the regular rate charged in the gold regions. Mr. Goldstein believed that he could get money in Dallas on his securities at about 5 per cent. This would mean a saving of about \$10,000 a year on interest alone. Since his return to this city he exhibited his deeds to a number of persons whom he considered likely to have enough money to handle the deal. These persons say that Mr. Goldstein carried the deeds on his person.

Uninjured, but Recovered Damage

PARIS, Dec. 17.—A legal decision was given in Berlin this week which is interesting French automobilists. A pedestrian was recently nearly run over on a Paris boulevard and, although untouched, he sued to recover damages for shock to his nerves. The court decided against him. In Berlin, a pedestrian brought a similar suit; he was also actually uninjured, but recovered 150 marks. The complainant was a lawyer named Meyerhof. The court's decision declared, "though the automobile did not touch the lawyer, the shock to his nervous system, seeing the automobile so close to him, could be regarded as a personal injury."

A BIG SMASH-UP

A Shipment of Beautiful Christmas Pianos in an Unfortunate Railroad Wreck—Some Were Broken Up Very Badly—Others Scarcely Marred and Will Be Placed on Sale at

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We have carefully inspected each Piano, and will place on sale only such instruments as are in perfect condition so far as their musical worth is concerned; the only damage being some slight marring in the case.

For instance, we have a Piano on our third floor, one of several, of a standard make, which has been split at the top. The handsome silk cover which we give free with every Piano would entirely hide this defect, yet we can offer you this Piano for \$125, although the regular price is \$275. This Piano is perfect in every respect except the exception of the injury.

We have many others which are slightly marred and scratched, which will be replenished until they look as perfect as ever, but owing to the favorable settlement we made with the railroad, we can offer them at \$135, \$160, \$175, \$195 and \$225. These are Pianos of the regular prices of which range from \$275 to \$400.

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ments, intended for our Christmas trade, and that all the damage is in the cases; the plates, strings, keys, action, tone and life of the Piano being as perfect as ever.

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To those who wish to purchase a Piano for Christmas, we extend a cordial invitation to see these Pianos. It is the opportunity of a lifetime to procure a thoroughly reliable new Piano, at about half the usual price.

DON'T FORGET
That we will be delighted to tell Santa Claus to leave one of these Pianos for your home Christmas, upon the payment of a small cash sum, the balance to be paid a little each month.

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And all the pleasure it will give you, when this sale and our monthly payment plan enables you to secure one so easily.

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Casualty Visited by a Hunting Party, Tells Its Members Some Surprising Things.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 17.—Texas has a divine healer, Navarro by name, of whom very little is known by the outside world. He is not one of the money-making variety, nor does he deal in incantations or charms. He is quite an unassuming old man, living in a very simple and humble manner, four miles from his nearest neighbor, with no company, except his pet dogs and cats, and other domestic animals, and with only an occasional suffering pilgrim who has traveled many miles, perhaps on foot, to reach this Mecca, where his ill are cured and his physical pains alleviated.

About twenty miles west of this city, in a very sparsely settled district, the traveler may see on a gate as he passes along the public road, a neatly painted sign, which reads: "Navarro, Healer of Souls." Most persons pass by somewhat puzzled at the meaning of these strange words, but soon forget the incident. It was not so with our correspondent, who in company with others, was on a hunting trip, and out of mere curiosity passed through the gate and following the dim trail for some distance soon came in sight of a humble stone house of one room. Mr. Navarro came out and cordially invited the party to unitch the teams and remain over night, which invitation was accepted.

It was during the evening, while smoking and chatting with the old gentleman around his primitive fireplace, that he talked of his power to heal the sick. Each of the party was told many facts about his disposition, character, past and present life and physical ailments. Numerous questions asked mentally as he indicated were answered in a wonderful and satisfactory way. His methods are of the simplest. He sits facing you with a small board resting on his knees and yours, and by laying your hands, palms downward, on the board and concentrating the mind upon your question for an instant he immediately writes out the answer.

Mr. Navarro takes a knife, ring or any garment worn or anything used or carried by a person, and from that he gets his impressions and becomes in rapport with his subject.

He took a knife of four blades from one of the party and said: "This is the blade intended to be used for trimming the finger nails but you do not use it for that purpose. The other three blades is the one you use for that, as I have the inclination to clean my nails with it." Then he paced up and down the room as if it was a large hall, and he said: "This is the way you act when you get angry. I would advise you to control your temper. Anger is very wearing on the whole system. At one time in your life you have run away from me, and I would say it is because of the inclination to ride fast, and it gives me a fatigued feeling in my legs."

He took a ring from the hand of one of the subjects and immediately commenced to cough and show signs of great pain, clapping at his left side, and saying: "You have had lung trouble and a very severe attack of rheumatism, which has cost you your life. In this manner he went on with each one present, always telling him the exact truth and never missing a particular.

Several persons who have been interviewed assert that they have been cured by him. One case in particular is a Mexican woman, who positively declared that Mr. Navarro cured her of rheumatism. Another is the organist of St. Patrick's Church in this city.

The healer stated that it was not necessary for the patient to visit him in person, but that he could locate the disease and cure the person by handling a garment worn by the patient.

When asked to make a statement for publication he hesitated, but after some persuasion finally consented to give it, and permitted the following to be used:

"I was born in Casa Blanca, Cuba, in 1888. My father was a Spaniard and my mother was of French parentage, being born in New Orleans. I was 7 years of age when I first discovered my power to heal the sick, but I never practiced it very much until after my mother's death, as she seriously objected to it and did not believe in such nonsense, as she called it.

"I lived in New Orleans until 1895, when I came to Texas, and have lived right here ever since. I was a man of the world for many years, but since I came out here I have given more attention to things spiritual, and my power of healing has grown greater each year. When my patients present I cure them by laying on of hands."

"Do you not go to the large cities and make your fortune?"

"I would lose my power if I mingled with a great number of people. And further more, if I charged for my services I could heal no one. My work is mostly among the poor. I do not care to treat the rich. They have all the luxuries of life and can employ the best physicians. I have had patients come here for treatment and remain a week and I received nothing for boarding and curing them, except their gratitude, but that is sufficient."

"How do you make a living here?"

"I live well enough. I have my own cows and rent sixty-four. I have my own chickens and horses and my little farm supports me nicely."

MUSIC, THE DEATH OF BEAR

Lured by the Strains of a Waltz Bruin Ventured Into Fatal Zone.

ST. VINCENT, Minn., Dec. 17.—George Ferguson, a settler living just this side of the Canadian border, has the distinction of being, so far as is known, the only man to kill a cinnamon bear in Minnesota.

The bear was killed under unusual conditions, in Mr. Ferguson's back yard. Last evening Mr. Ferguson gave a dance, at which music was furnished by two cornets and a violin. While the guests were enjoying themselves, Mrs. Ferguson heard a disturbance in the henhouse. Looking out the back door she saw a large bear walking slowly about the barn. She at once notified her husband.

Mr. Ferguson found the bear just under the parlor windows, the point nearest the music, standing on his hind legs and biting the bark of a tree. The first bullet entered his heart and he dropped dead.

GIRL BABY IS OSSIFYING

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 17.—Pearl Touchstone, the 4-month-old child of a couple at Beaver Dam, Miss., was brought to the Charity Hospital in this city this afternoon for treatment.

The condition of the child is a puzzle to all physicians who have seen her. A few days after the child was born her father's house burned and the baby had a narrow escape from being incinerated. Within a week after this fire it was noticed that

the flesh of the child was gradually growing hard.

The unknown disease spread rapidly, and when the child was examined by the physicians at the hospital here she was found to be almost completely ossified. The local doctors are unable to diagnose the disease of the child and they say there is no chance of saving her life.

Mrs. Chubbly—What is your opinion of the "Money doctor?"

Mrs. Rhodde—I don't know nothing 'bout these new medical fads. The old fashioned style of a doctor is good enough for me.—Dec. Woman's Home Companion.

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Monday's Special Values in
CHRISTMAS APRONS
 Should induce your attendance in this section tomorrow without fail.
38c APRONS FOR 25c—Large, fine quality lawn Aprons—deep hem, with insertion of fancy open-work embroidery and two clusters of fine tucks across front—39c value—Monday special for **25c**
50c APRONS FOR 35c—Large size—lawn aprons—plain, with embroidery trimmed bib and bretelles—wide lawn ties—50c value—Monday, 3 for \$1.00, or, each **35c**
DAIRY LITTLE TEA APRONS—Of splendid quality Swiss—round or straight, with lace trimmed ruffle—deep val lace insertion—ribbon trimming—75c value—Monday special for **49c**
CHILDREN'S 65c APRONS, 39c—9 to 12 year sizes—of white lawn—full skirt—hemstitched hem—embroidery trimmed waist with hem-stitched ruffles—65c value—Monday special for **39c**



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Commencing Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, this store will be open till 9 o'clock every evening until Christmas—Saturday night till 10 o'clock.

BABY'S CHRISTMAS

Can be brightened up very materially if the little one's stocking is filled with useful articles, such as these, which we've specially priced for Monday:

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INFANTS' SHORT SACKS—Of flannelette—daintily trimmed—25c value—Monday, special for **19c**
INFANTS' WOOL SACKS—Finely crocheted—all colors—75c value—Monday, special for **50c**
INFANTS' WARM BOOTIES—Hand-knitted of zephyr—all colors—prices 25c, 35c and—Monday, special for **10c**
QUILTED BIBS—Lace trimmed—15c value—Monday, special for **25c**
DRAWER LEGGINGS—Of white or black zephyr—50c value—Monday, special for **35c**
INFANTS' LONG CLOAKS—Of cream Bedford cord—neatly trimmed with braid and ribbon—regular \$2.50 value—Monday, special for **1.50**

Gifts That Will Please Men

Suggestions that will aid you in solving that difficult problem of what to get him for Xmas.

Men's \$7 Smoking Jackets, \$4.50
 We have a vast collection of these handsome garments ranging in price from \$3.50 to \$19.50. The clever coats that we have specially underpriced for Monday's selling are built of the two-toned cheviot cloths—solid color outside and nobby plaid or striped design on inside—handsomely set off with silk braid, silk girth fastenings and silk-bound pockets—coats that you cannot match anywhere under \$6 and \$7—Monday at Famous, choice of several styles, for **4.50**

Men's \$7 Fancy Vests, \$3.75
 The very latest novelties, such as the Japanese browns, in the various shades and figured effects, fancy imported flannels in plaids and neat figures, silk and merinoized vestings, also dark silk embroidered styles—single and double breasted—sizes 33 to 50—also stouts and slims—\$6 and \$7 values—Monday, choice of any **3.75**

Men's \$7.50 Bath Robes, \$5.00
 Swell creations in Slumbering or Bath Robes from \$3.50 to \$40. For Monday's special selling we offer heavy Eiderdown Robes in fancy plaids and stripes—cut extra large—with heavy cord and tassels—regular \$7.50 values—Monday special for **5.00**

Men's Bath Robe Sets
 Consisting of Bath Robe, Turkish Towel, Bath Slippers and Mittens—complete—prices range from **\$5 to \$12**

Men's Xmas Suspenders
 Beautiful designs—splendid webbing—put in fancy boxes—prices range from **39c to \$5**

Men's \$1.50 Neckwear for \$1
 Xmas Neckwear from 25c up to \$4. We have specially priced several styles of the new heavy broadened silk, large English squares and three-inch four-in-hand—attractive patterns—regular \$1.50 values—each one packed in a pretty box—Monday at Famous, special for **1.00**

Men's Xmas House Slippers
 All sorts and styles from 60c to \$2.75. We wish to specially emphasize the unequalled values we offer at \$1.50—they come in the Russia Calf and Vici Kid—in Opera, Columbia, Everett or Faust cut—tan, chocolate or black—hand turned and kid lined throughout—all sizes—see them—they certainly make splendid gifts. **1.50**

TO INDUCE EARLY SHOPPING MONDAY MORNING FROM 8 TO 10 O'CLOCK

We will present these unequalled value-giving specials—every item quoted below is of seasonable and meritorious character and carries with it a saving of rare happening—the lots are all limited and these bargains will positively be on sale only from 8 to 10 o'clock Monday morning, so come early if you want to avoid disappointment.

\$1.25 Framed Pictures 59c
 One hundred and eighty-five pretty oval framed pictures—deep gold-finished frames with neat ornaments—all bright and desirable subjects—clear French glass and clean finished papered backs—regular \$1.25 values—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special—choice for **59c**

\$1.00 Union Suits 35c
 Women's and Misses' Union Suits—wool and cotton mixed—open across chest and button down front—ecru, white and gray—actual 75c and \$1.00 garments—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special, choice for **35c**

Men's 75c Night Robes 38c
 Made of Teazlelown Eiderdown in fancy plaids and stripes—extra heavy, full and long—regular 75c grade—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special for **38c**

Genuine Lonsdale Muslin
 Yard wide—every housekeeper in St. Louis knows its worth—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special at, yard **5½c**

Children's 75c Dresses 22c
 Of fleeced flannelette—Gretchen style—braid trimmed—dark and light colors—sizes 2 to 4 years—75c values—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—special for **22c**

65c Black Peau de Soie 38c
 10-inch Black Peau de Soie—a pure silken fabric—with that soft, rich finish—a quality well worth 65c a yard—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special at, yard **38c**

Women's 85c Juliets 65c
 Felt Juliets, marked and always sell for 85c—with fur trimmings—sole leather counters—sizes 3 to 8—black, brown, green or garnet—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special for **65c**

\$1.25 Lace Curtains 63c Pair
 About one hundred pairs of Nottingham Net Lace Curtains—30 inches wide—3½ yards long—heavy 22-inch figured border—regular \$1.25 values—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special at, pair **63c**

Girls' 75c Tams 29c
 Camel's Hair Tam O'Shanter—round or square crowns, with bands to pull over ears—white, brown, red, blue and various color combinations—50c for 75c values—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special, choice for **29c**

\$1.50 Flannelette Wrappers 75c
 Heavy washable Flannelette Wrappers—fast colors—ruffle over shoulder—trimmed with braids and deep flounce—black, fancy blues, reds and grays—all sizes—regular \$1.50 values—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—choice for **75c**

Boys' \$4 Suits 1.98
 Strictly all-wool double-breasted two-piece Suits—of fancy Scotch Cheviots—all sizes from 8 to 16—Lot No. 3309—worth \$4—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—special for **1.98**

Men's \$10 Overcoats 7.75
 Oxford gray all-wool frieze Overcoats—splendidly made and finished—sizes 34 to 42—our regular \$10 Coats, equal to \$12.50 values elsewhere—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—special for **7.75**

\$1.50 Toy Tea Sets 1.00
 Made of German china—all large pieces—Cups and Saucers, large enough for table service—decorated with birds and sprays of flowers—sugar bowl, teapot, cream pitcher and six cups and saucers—actual \$1.50 value—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special for **1.00**

\$1.75 Dressed Dolls 1.00
 Dolls that can talk, walk and sleep—made with clock spring—various colored satin dresses with lace yokes—hats to match—bisque head—pretty curls—16 inches high—regular \$1.75 value—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special for **1.00**

\$1.00 Carriage Bags 75c
 Walrus grain, strap or braided handle Carriage Bags—nickel or gilt frame—ball clasps—moire lined—inside fittings—8 inches long—browns, tans and blacks—these are our regular \$1 grades—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—choice for **75c**

Unbleached Muslin 2½c
 Good weight—30 inches wide—regular 5c quality—Monday morning, from 8 to 10 o'clock only—very special at, yard **2½c**

Come to Famous for Toys

Monday's special prices prove convincingly that your toy purchases can be accomplished to best advantage in the original "Toyland" at Famous. Bring the children to see Santa Claus. He has a pretty story book for each child who comes with an adult.

Doll Carriages—Body of hardwood, rattan spindles, cretonne lined, with parasol; Monday **1.25**

Doll Go-Carts—Made of rattan, fancy rattan braided seat and back, steel wheels and iron axles, regular price \$1.50; Monday, **98c**

Essex Back Blackboards—Size 21x16 inches, made of hardwood, heavy linen chart; Monday **98c**

Cyclone Wagons—Nicely painted, with steel retined wheels, size of body 14x22, worth \$3.00; Monday **2.50**

Toy Tables—Made of hardwood, oak finish, drop leaf; Monday **98c**

Boys' Skates—Lock leather, full polished, cold rolled cast steel, all sizes, Monday **58c**

Morris Chairs—Oak finished, upholstered seat and back of figured velvet, regular \$1.75; Monday **1.25**

Plush Horses—On platform and wheels, nicely harnessed, with saddle; worth \$1.50; Monday **98c**

Boys' Football Suits—Complete outfit, assorted sizes, Monday **98c**

Printing Presses—Metal short type, ink and ink-ling pad, gold and silver bronze, with hardwood two-drawer cabinet; Monday **98c**

Crokinole Boards—Made of 3-ply veneer, complete with implements, worth \$1.00; Monday **50c**

Wood Seat Chairs and Rockers—With side arms, painted red and natural wood finish; Monday **19c**

Mechanical Engine, Hook and Ladder, Mail Car and Loaded Truck—Made of steel, rubber tired wheels, strong winding clock spring, run straight or circular; regular price \$1.25; Monday **98c**

Swinging Horses—With natural turned legs, leather bridle, tall; Monday **2.98**

Passenger Trains—Painted red and black, 28 inches long, engine, tender and two passenger cars; Monday **48c**

Furniture Sets—White and red enameled and decorated with floral, rocker, settee and table, worth \$1.50; Monday **98c**

Mechanical Trains—With circular track, engine, tender and passenger car, strong clock spring; regular price \$1.00; Monday **75c**

Paddy and the Waiting Pig—The new mechanical toy, worth 50c; Monday **35c**

Punching Bags and Platforms—Large punching bag, complete and ready to put up, **1.48**

Kitchen Sets—Made of steel—blue enameled—7 pieces—Monday **48c**

\$2.50 XMAS UMBRELLAS, \$1.69

For Ladies and Gentlemen

We never were so excellently prepared to supply your Holiday Umbrella wants as this season, and show all the newest effects from \$1 to \$12. The Umbrellas that we have specially priced for Monday are made of silk-mixed taffetas—good strong frame—steel rod—fancy horn, silver trimmed, pearl, sterling silver mounted and natural wood handles—regular \$2.50 values—Monday at Famous—choice for **1.69**

Gentlemen's Canes from 25c to \$15.

ENGRAVING DONE FREE OF CHARGE.

THREE CHINA BARGAIN BOOTHS

Have been erected on our first floor around the stairway leading to the basement. This is to facilitate the Christmas selling. On each booth will be found appropriate and beautiful China Pieces for gift-giving, at prices that in most instances average close to half the actual worth of the values offered.

Up to 50c Values for 25c

Fancy China Salad Bowls, Cake Plates, Chop Plates, Bisque Figures, Vases, Sugar and Creamers, Cups and Saucers, Hair Receivers, etc.—all new shapes and patterns—up to 50c values—Monday very special, choice for **25c**

Up to 98c Values for 48c

Fancy China Cream Sets, Tea Sets, Salad Bowls, Celery Trays, Comb and Brush Trays, Bisque Ornaments, Vases, Cake Plates, Chocolate Pots, Tea Pots, Syrup Pitchers, etc.—the latest patterns and richest decorations—worth up to 98c—Monday at Famous—your choice for **48c**

Up to \$2 Values for 98c

Fancy China Chocolate Pots, Cracker Jars, Tea Sets, Cream Sets, Japanese Vases, Bisque Figures, Salad Bowls, Chop Plates, Celery Trays, Comb and Brush Trays, Dresser Sets, China Urns—attractively decorated—the very prettiest new shapes—worth up to \$2—Monday, choice of any for **98c**

Parents, Here's Profitable News! CHILDREN'S COATS

Actual \$6 and \$7 Values, Monday, Choice of Hundreds for

2.95



This sale comes just in the nick of time to get the little girls a practical and sensible Xmas present.

Children's handsome all-wool winter-weight Zibeline and Melton Coats—with or without deep cape—belted back and fancy trimmings—sizes 6 to 14—blues, browns, greens and reds—coats that are splendidly made, slightly serviceable and absolutely worth \$6.00 and \$7.00—Monday, choice of hundreds for **2.95**

Pictures Are Good

For Xmas offerings—you can secure splendid ones to specially good advantage Monday at Famous.

DINING ROOM PICTURES.

\$2.48 Values, Monday for \$1.48

Fish or fruit subjects framed in handsome dark brown frames—beautifully ornamented on inner and outer edges—regular \$2.48 values—Monday at Famous, choice for **1.48**

\$1.50 PARLOR PICTURES, 98c.

Landscapes, flowers or figure subjects, oval or square shapes, oblong or upright panels—a large and varied assortment; values such as are shown above at \$1.50 and \$1.50—Monday at Famous, choice of hundreds for **98c**

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646 MORE than appeared during the same period in the two next largest St. Louis newspapers combined.

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GOING IN GRASP OF THE SNOW KING

Streets of Metropolis Many Inches Deep Under Covering of White.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The snowstorm that has been moving east out of the Middle West reached New York early this afternoon, and by 10 o'clock the streets were covered to a depth of four inches. Soon after the storm began the snowfall was so heavy that all vessels in the harbor were compelled to run under reduced speed to avoid the danger of collision, and tonight shipping, both inbound and outbound, is practically at a standstill, as the passage is considered too dangerous for the larger vessels.

In the city the cars on all the surface lines have been considerably delayed, and general traffic has been seriously affected. The weather bureau promises a continuance of the storm until well on toward noon tomorrow, and every effort is being made to prevent a traffic blockade. In Manhattan 300 men and 300 vehicles are working tonight cleaning the snow from the streets.

THREE SLAIN; HOUSE BURNED

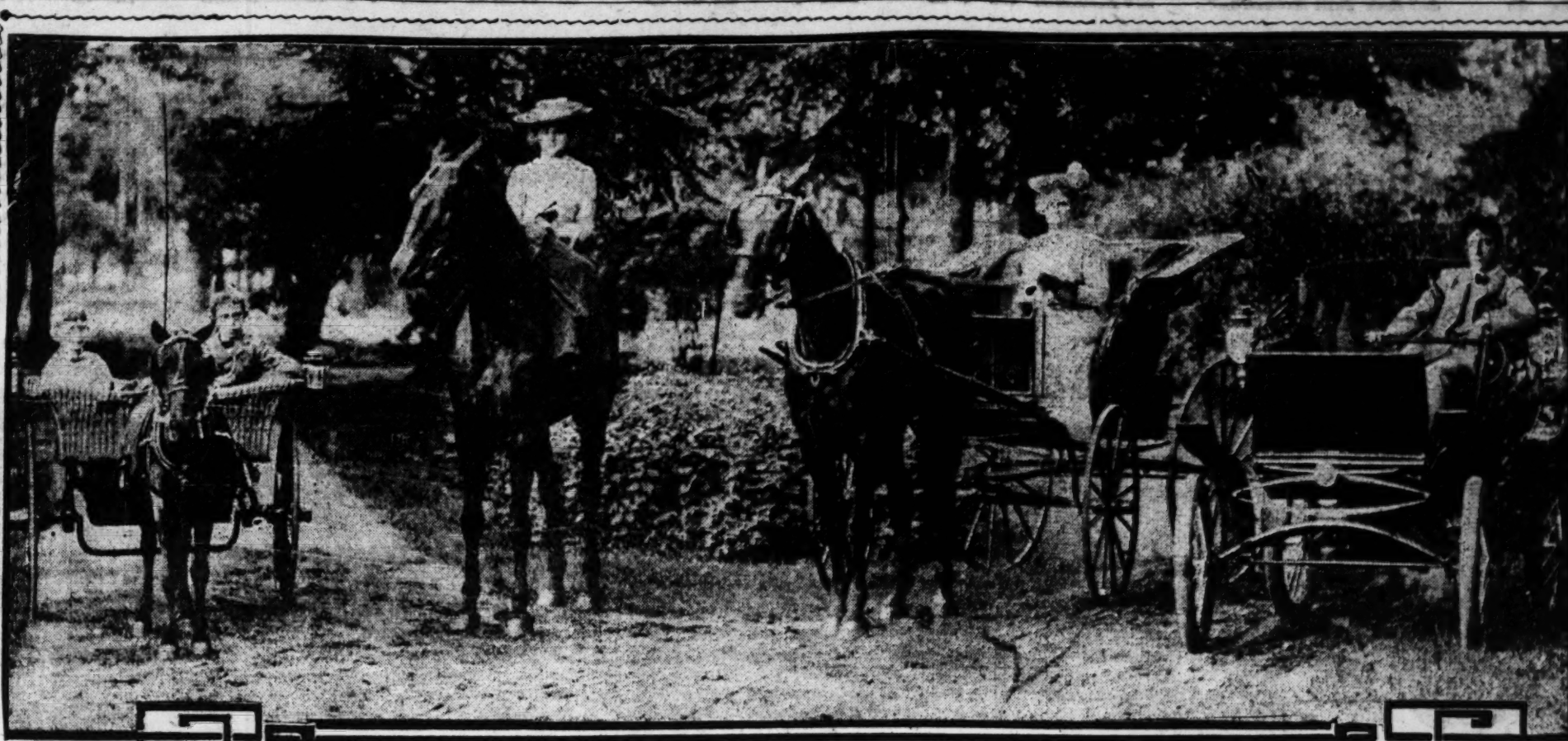
Robbers Take Victims' Money and Start Fire to Hide Crime.

MONTICELLO, Ark., Dec. 17.—W. M. Stevenson and his wife and Mrs. Willie Barrett, a visitor, have been burned to death in the Stevenson home, twelve miles east of Monticello. Sheriff Willson made an investigation and sent to Pine Bluff for bloodhounds. Stevenson kept considerable money in the house and it is believed the house was attacked for the purpose of robbery and set on fire to cover the crime.

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HER TWO NEPHEWS MISS MARY CHADWICK HER STEP-DAUGHTER MRS. CASIE CHADWICK COUSIN MISS EMIL HOOPER HER STEPSON

12,672 People's WANTS

Were printed in the Post-Dispatch last week.
3940 MORE than appeared in the next largest St. Louis newspaper during the same period.

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MASK FALLS, MME. DE VERE SEEN BY ALL

Prisoner's Nerve Breaks at Face to Face Meeting With Lawyer Prominent at Former Trial and She Collapses in Courtroom.

CHADWICK TRIO ENTER PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY

Cleveland Woman and Bankers Beckwith and Spear Protest Innocence Before Federal Judge Wing—Two Men Give Bail.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 17.—The mask was ruthlessly, brutally torn from the face of Cassie L. Chadwick today, and behind it were found the unmistakable features of Mme. Lydia de Vere, charlatan, fortune teller, swindler, forger and convict.

Supt. Tom Byrnes, in his palmist days, never worked the "third degree" on a bluffing prisoner in grimmer fashion than the government authorities on Mrs. Chadwick. No dumb, terror-stricken thief on murderer ever collapsed so utterly as this miserable woman when she realized what had been prepared for her.

It was suddenly decided today to arraign the woman prisoner along with President Beckwith and Cashier Spear of the Oberlin Bank. Mrs. Chadwick protested that she was too ill to appear in court, but United States Attorney Sullivan had her examined by a physician, who said that, while she was extremely nervous, she was quite equal to the ordeal.

So the stage settings for the drama were arranged. Beckwith and Spear, the former looking worn and haggard, took seats on one side of the gloomy courtroom while newspaper men and lawyers crowded the other.

A big arm chair was placed within ten feet of, and directly facing, the clerk's desk. At this desk sat Irving Bedford, the successful defender of Joseph Lamb, the Toledo expressman who was jointly tried for forgery with Mme. de Vere. J. P. Dawley, the woman's counsel, sat by the vacant chair.

Then came a stage wait while the principal in the drama was brought over from jail.

At exactly ten minutes to 1 o'clock a commotion was heard in the corridors. Then the big double doors of the courtroom swung wide open. Framed in the entrance stood Mrs. Chadwick, dressed entirely in brown, supported on either side by United States Marshal Chandler and one of his deputies.

Slowly they marched down the center aisle, the woman leaning heavily on the arms of the two men. She threw a hasty glance around the room. She saw Beckwith, grim and defiant, his eyes intent upon the ceiling. She saw Spear, the youthful cashier, sitting by his side, staring straight ahead.

Then when half way to her seat, her headlike eyes lighted upon Irving Bedford, directly facing her and piercing her veil with a steady stare from beneath his shaggy brows.

Instantly all strength seemed to leave the woman. Her knees gave way and she would have fallen to the floor had not the marshals held her up. Trembling from head to foot she fought to master the weakness, but her limbs refused to do her bidding. She was a terror-stricken, inert bundle of brown cloth.

Seeing that she could not move the marshals fairly carried her to the arm chair and literally dumped her into it. There she sat huddled up like a stuffed figure, save that she rested her right elbow on a table and hid her face to shut out the sight of the accusing eyes of Irving Bedford.

The mask had been torn away. It was not Cassie L. Chadwick, high priestess of frenzied finance, who counted and spent her money by the millions and who duped keen bankers and lawyers by the score as easily as women tell a small fib to their husbands.

It was Mme. de Vere, forger and convict, cringing before the bar of justice, she knows so well. Every convict knows the clang of iron doors and lives they in freedom for a score of years after a term in prison, the grating of a key in a lock causes them to shudder, even to their dying day.

When it was all over and the miserable creature had been carried back to jail, Mr. Bedford said: "It was brutal, positively brutal, but it had to be done. I knew her the instant I saw her, and she knew me. It is impossible to forget her, once you have seen her as I have."

"Then there is not the slightest doubt in your mind that she is Mme. de Vere?" he was asked.

"No more doubt than I have that that is Judge Wing sitting there," he replied, pointing to the judge on the bench.

All three of the defendants pleaded not guilty to the indictments and waived an examination. Mr. Dawley, for Mrs. Chadwick, reserved the right to change his plea later on. Judge Wing fixed bail in the sum of \$15,000 for Beckwith and Spear, but Mr. Dawley said he did not wish bail named for his client.

"Your position is that she is already in custody and desires to no remain?" asked the court.

"That's it," replied the counsel.

"Then the only way it could come before the court would be on an application to set bail at some future time, and we will let it remain that way," said the court. Then Mrs. Chadwick was taken away.

BOY COASTING DOWN HILL DIES UNDER WAGON

Eleven-Year-Old Son of John Kelkbrener on Sled Plunged Beneath Horses' Hoofs and Is Crushed by Wheel.

AT TOO LATE FROM DRIVER OF THE WAGON.

Driver Is Arrested and Held by Police of Second District—Boy's Companions Notified His Parents of Accident.

John Kelkbrener, 11-year-old son of John Kelkbrener of 208 South Ninth street, was run over by a wagon and killed while coasting yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The accident took place at the crossing of two alleys near the boy's home.

While coasting on his sled down the incline from Seventh street to Broadway through the alley, which is a continuation of St. George street, he ran into a wagon being driven across his path up another alley, which is a continuation of Ann avenue.

The horses' hoofs stopped his speed and the animal lunged frantically just in time to draw the wagon wheel over his head.

The skull was fractured by the wheel and the driver, Louis Runtz, jumped from his wagon, picked the boy up and started with him through the snow for the office of Dr. Giers, at 220 South Broadway.

The physician's office was less than a block distant, but the boy had died before the journey commenced.

A number of small companions were coasting with the Kelkbrener boy at the time, and some of them ran to his home, two blocks away, to notify his father and mother.

The coasters were lying flat on their sleds and it was in that attitude that young Kelkbrener was caught helpless beneath the hoofs and wheels.

Runtz was arrested and looked up at the Second district police station at Ninth and Wyoming streets. He is 23 years old and lives at 3025 Missouri avenue.

BRIDGE CASE IS YET DELAYED

Secretary Taft Too Busy to Hear St. Louis Litigation, His Secretary States.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Secretary of War Taft has not yet found time to take up the Merchants' Bridge case. His secretary states that the secretary will make every endeavor to get at the case before Christmas, but that he can make no promise.

TOWNS ARE SHORT ON FOOD

Ice Floe Threatens Serious Situation for Towns Along the Ohio River.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 17.—The supply of food is said to be running short at many towns between here and Paducah, Ky., where the supplies are brought in by boat, and the blocking of navigation tonight makes their situation even more serious.

The first ice of the season started to move out of the Wabash river and down the Ohio tonight, effectively stopping all navigation. Nearly all boats have ceased running between Louisville and Cairo.

CHURCH'S LAW IS PUT ABOVE SENATE ORDER

Recorder Nicholson of Mormon Temple Scorns Legislators' Command to Produce Records Which Apostles Wish Secret.

MUCH THOUGHT NEEDED TO ENUMERATE CHILDREN

Smoot Witness Admits His Family Is So Large That He Must Rely on Memory to Tell Exactly How Many Little Ones He Has.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Recorder John Nicholson of the Mormon Temple at Salt Lake City, again defied the power of the United States Senate today to force him to do what the president of his church tells him should not be done.

Nicholson failed to produce before the Smoot senatorial investigating committee all of the Mormon marriage records desired to make the inquiry a complete one. To all of the investigators' questions he replied that he has not authority over the documents in controversy. Finally, he said point blank that he did not bring them with him because he did not wish to.

"You place the wishes of your church president above those of the senate?" asked Attorney Taylor for the prosecution.

"Yes, I do," said Nicholson firmly.

"If he told you not to do it, the senate commanded you not to do it?"

"No, I would not."

"And if the sergeant-at-arms were sent after you with a warrant would you go to jail before you would comply?"

"Yes," said Nicholson, "I would."

The witness confessed later that he must think twice before he could remember the number of his children.

"Wait," he exclaimed, when, after his admission that he is a polygamist, he was questioned concerning the size of his family. Then, after a mental calculation: "Yes," he went on, "I have it now."

"Have 15 children, I'm sure that's right," Chairman Jackson of the Idaho Democratic state committee asserted that no party can win in his state without Mormon support. He owned, in reply to the questions of Attorney Van Cott for the defense, that the Gentile population is larger than the Mormons, but explained that the "Jack Mormons," as he termed the Gentiles who act politically with the Mormon Church, throw the control to the latter.

Charles W. Parsons, a Mormon apostle and editor of the Desert News at Salt Lake City, said that he had been an apostle since last July. To his question, he named every man present or absent, but said that he did not remember whether or not Senator Van Cott was there. As Parsons is a polygamist, the point was material.

The senator's own counsel settled the controversy by advising that his client was one of those who elected Mr. Parsons as an apostle.

"Then Senator Smoot knew when he voted for you that you were a polygamist, did he not?" said Mr. Taylor.

"He must have known it, although he is not acquainted with my families," Mr. Parsons announced. The witness said he would be greatly surprised should it be stated that Senator Smoot had not taken the endorsement and other ceremonies of the church.

"All high church officials go through the Temple," he said, emphatically.

William Bridges, of Paris, Idaho, president of the Mormon "state" in Bear Lake, admitted having three wives and twenty-five children.

"You are the most prominent Mormon in Idaho," suggested Mr. Taylor.

The witness modestly refused to testify as to that.

"I will testify that he is," said Senator Doolittle, a member of the committee from Idaho.

FINEST WEATHER SINCE FAIR Sun Will Melt the Snow, and Won't the Air Be Fine, Says Forecaster.

A fair Sunday, warm enough to melt the snow and make plenty of slush, is the forecast of the weather bureau for Sunday. Just as soon as the snow melts, the weather will be the finest since the World's Fair closed, the forecaster says.

The temperature Saturday night did not get far away from 35 degrees, and it may from now on.

The forecast for Sunday is: "Partly cloudy and warmer."

SEVASTOPOL IS BLOWN TO BITS BY THE ENEMY

Last Warship in Port Arthur Fleet Successfully Torpedoed Ten Times in Succession—Resisting Attack by the Japanese.

TOKIO, Dec. 18.—The Russian battleship Sevastopol has been successfully torpedoed ten times and is now, according to reports, fairly blown to bits, according to reports.

It has been the commander of the Mikado's forces before Port Arthur. The Sevastopol was the last and one of the finest of the larger vessels of the Port Arthur fleet. The Russians have made desperate efforts to save it and have beat off many Japanese attacks, upon it with heavy loss.

It has been admirably maneuvered and, despite the fury of the fire upon the fleet in the harbor from 30-Meter hill, has managed to keep in the shelter of the hills and escape serious damage.

ARCHBISHOP PHELAN VERY ILL

Pittsburg Roman Catholic Prelate Not Expected to Live Through Night.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 17.—The Right Rev. Richard Phelan, the venerable Roman Catholic bishop of Pittsburg, is dangerously ill and not expected to outlive the night.

GOES INSANE ON THE STAGE

Actor Is Stricken With Madness Before Footlights and Sent to Asylum.

HAMBURG, Dec. 17.—Leo Forst, who has been playing a leading role here in the first production of "Duchess of Padua," went mad last night. He was sent to an asylum.

MURDER THEORY IS REVIVED

Tales of Family Trouble Lead to Stories That Poison Killed Syveton.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—Shocking details of the domestic conditions preceding Deputy Syveton's death continue to flood the newspapers here. The murder theory is again advanced. Dr. Barrey, a relative of Syveton, asserting that poison contributed to his death. It is possible that arrests may be made within the family of the deceased.

COMMISSIONERS WON'T FIGHT OVER AWARDS AT FAIR

Senator George W. McBride Answers Statement of Dr. Theodor Lewald, Imperial Commissioner From Germany.

STATEMENT REGARDED AS OFFICIAL AFFRONT

But Senator McBride Views More Seriously Dr. Lewald's Utterances in Regard to Germany's Expectation of Commission.

Former United States Senator George W. McBride, the only member of the National Commission at the World's Fair remaining in St. Louis, will depart today for his home in Portland, Ore., with Mrs. McBride.

Senator McBride decided before leaving to make a statement in reply to statements concerning the National Commission made by Dr. Theodor Lewald, imperial commissioner-general from Germany, in connection with the controversy between the National Commission and the Exposition company.

The statement in Dr. Lewald's interview that he regarded most seriously by Senator McBride was to the effect that Germany would not have entered the competition in exhibits had it known that the findings of the jury of awards need be reviewed by the national commission.

In the controversy from how on Secretary Laurence Graham will look after the interests of the national commission in St. Louis. The commission still asserts as positively as ever its right to the privilege of approving or disapproving every award made by the jury of awards. None of the awards has yet been submitted to the commission.

Dr. Lewald's interview created considerable surprise in World's Fair circles in view of his position as commissioner-general from Germany, as well as vice-president of the superior jury.

Sensor McBride, when asked about the awards situation, said:

"The national commission has asked for the lists of awards for approval or disapproval, and if it does not get them, hardly, as representatives of the United States government, resort to law to compel the Exposition company to furnish it the opportunity of viewing the lists."

No Recourse to the Courts.

"Our position was stated in Senator Carter's letter to President Francis. Unless the matter is settled by arbitration, as the rules provide, I do not believe the commission will attempt any further efforts to establish its rights in the premises."

"The national commission views the action of the Exposition company in the premises as an official matter, not a personal one with any member of the committee of five."

"I do not wish to discuss personalities."

"Dr. Lewald's interview on the awards must be regarded as official. Its importance is proved by the language of the interview, in which he speaks of the views of the imperial government of Germany, and also by the statement of President Francis, in which he pointed out the manner in which the superior jury authorized the appointment of the committee of five."

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WYNNE ALONE LEFT OUT OF NEW CABINET

President Decides to Make No Changes Among Advisors Except for Cortelyou's Promotion to Head of Postal Department.

LIST IS NOT MEANT TO LAST FULL FOUR YEARS

Present Arrangement Certain Not to Continue Through Entire Term—Secretary Shaw Sure to Seek First Place in 1908.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—President Roosevelt has decided on his cabinet with which he will begin his new administration March 4. With the exception of Postmaster-General Wynne the present holders of portfolios will be retained. Mr. Wynne will retire March 4, or sooner if the President desires, to be succeeded by George B. Cortelyou, former secretary of commerce and now chairman of the Republican national committee. The retiring head of the department will be given a good position in the diplomatic consular service.

Mr. Cortelyou is now closing up his work as chairman of the national committee and has consented to the details for the inauguration to decide upon. After that, he will take a vacation, the first since he went into the White House as President Cleveland's stenographer.

The President has already formally announced that Secretary Hay, Attorney-General Moody and Secretary Morison will be members of the new cabinet, and similar announcements are expected concerning the others from time to time this winter.

The next statement given out from the White House will very likely relate to Secretary Shaw, who has been the object of much gossip the last four or five weeks.

It does not follow that the cabinet will remain intact throughout all of Mr. Roosevelt's second term. As a matter of fact, it is certain that some of the members will retire before March 4, 1908. One of them will be Secretary of the Interior, who will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for President in 1908.

Members of the superior jury. This shows clearly that Dr. Lewald's membership in the superior jury is because of his official character as imperial commissioner-general from Germany. Therefore, he is a member of the jury only by virtue of his office. The duties of the superior jury are prescribed in the rules and relate only to awards sent to them for such awards.

"Therefore, when the imperial commissioner-general from Germany intervenes in a contention between the national commission and the Exposition company, his statements must be considered official and that fact gives them special significance."

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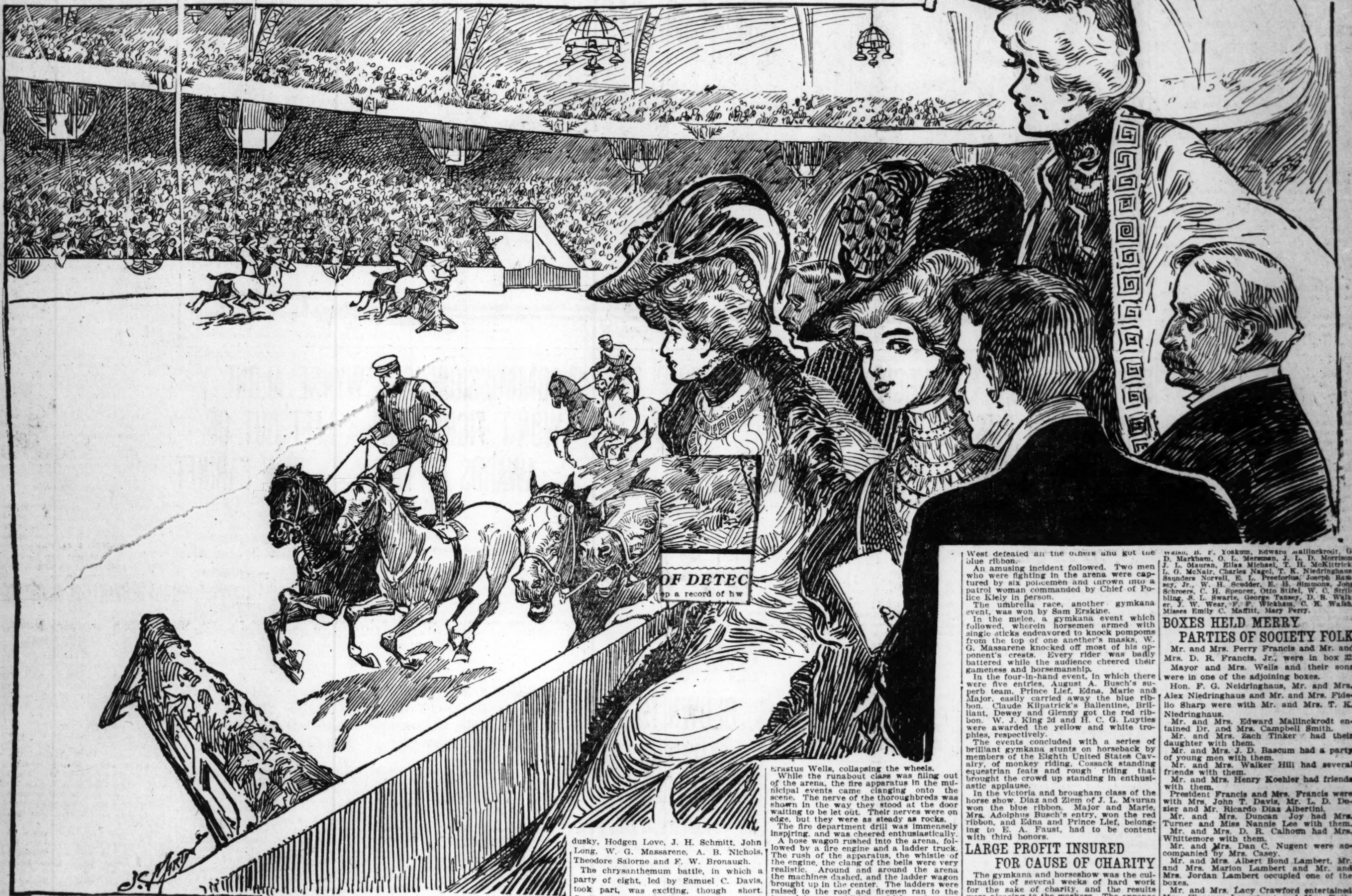
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GYMKANA. AND HORSE SHOW FOR CHARITY GRADUALLY SUCCESS; SOCIETY MAKES MERRY IN ITS FAREWELL TO COLISEUM

Soldiers, Policemen, Firemen and Society Young Men Take Part in Contests and Competitions at Coliseum, and Large Crowds Witnessing Events Show Enthusiasm by Frequent Applause.



Scene of Social Splendor and Thrilling Feats of Horsemanship in the Coliseum

The gymkana and horse show given for charity last night at the Coliseum was an interesting success.

With every box occupied by leaders in St. Louis society, with the parquet well filled and with the balcony holding hundreds of others, expert horsemen and beautiful horses displayed their skill and their beauty.

Soldiers, policemen, firemen and young men of the best families of St. Louis contested for ribbons and applause; and with the latter the well-pleased crowd was liberal. Ribbons came harder, but there was one for every event, and each winner found further applause.

The success of the horse show and gymkana was in the greatest measure due to the good management of Bert Walker, who arranged the program and then carried it through. Mr. Walker sent every event into the arena on time, and followed one with another so swiftly that there was never a moment when there was not something of interest doing on the tank bark.

Mr. Walker's energy was applauded by his conferees on the various committees, which made the affair the most successful of its kind ever brought off in St. Louis.

The costumes of the women were purchased the most beautiful ever seen at a St. Louis horse show. The boxes were somewhat with handsome gowns of bright and artistic coloring, and the aisles and promenades were resplendent with them. And, as a darker background which enhanced their beauty, there were the men who have made St. Louis famous. There were few among the leaders of St. Louis commercial, professional and social life who were not present. President Francis, Mrs. Francis and their sons had boxes; Mayor Wells and his family were near them. W. H. Thompson was prevented by illness from attending, but his family was represented. Charles H. Huttig, D. R. Calhoun, S. C. Davis, Gen. J. S. Bates, D. D. Walker, Henry Nicolaus, Henry Koshler, Jr., the Busch family, E. C. Simmons, T. H. West and a hundred more were interested spectators.

The big Coliseum, which will soon be torn away to make room for the Carnegie library that is to be built, was handsomely decorated with the colors of the horse show, the World's Fair and the United States. It was heated to a comfortable de-

gree; it was lighted as brightly as though the sun shone in special honor of the occasion. In every detail the arrangements were excellent.

The arena, rolled and sprinkled, was at its best, and furnished so excellent a footing for men and horses that, though troopers and mounted policemen galloped en masse, and young horsemen charged and collided as they rushed into chrysanthemum, potato race, umbrella race, melle and monkey ride battle, there were no accidents.

And, besides, there was a straight-tailed yellow dog. If the management of the show knew who owns the dog or where it makes its home—whether in an aristocratic stable, a fire engine house, the Mounted Police Station or Jefferson Barracks, the fact was sedulously concealed. Nobody seemed to know where the dog came from, whose he was, or how he got there. But he was there.

The dog came in with the walk, trot and canter, saddle horse event, first on the program; he missed the overture by the Philippine scout band, somehow. And after that he did not miss a thing. He barked and romped merrily through the first two horse show events; then, before the third one, somebody back in the stalls gave him a piece of paper to carry with him. This kept his jaws shut and the best he could do in the barking line was a few yelps. But he kept to his work of accompanying the horses around the ring and acting as escort to the ribbon winners. He pranced and trotted and raced under and around and across flying hoods; he darted under vehicles, and, seemingly, between the spokes of whirling wheels; but the good fortune that attends a yellow dog was always his and he ended the game with a whole skin and a palpitating but delighted heart.

In the runaway event, had luck attended Foxy Quiller, M. W. Foster's entry, and Dawn, owned and driven by Ernestus Wells. The latter lined up before the judges after the parade, got into the path of Beauty, C. R. H. Davis' brown mare, and in wheeling into the line the Davis runaway caught the Wells runaway just inside the hind wheel and bent the axle out of shape. The damaged vehicle had to be hauled out by porter-power, but fortunately neither driver nor horse were injured.

The bad luck came to Foxy Quiller at the close of the event, and was spectacular,

but not serious. As the runabouts were leaving the arena and crowding about the exit, the fire department apparatus entered. Horse cart, hook and ladder truck and fire engine came clattering in; the show horses that had just finished, nervous and excited by the glare of the lights, the flare of the bands and the applause of the spectators, plunged and pranced—all but Foxy Quiller, a glorious black.

Foxy Quiller, held by a master hand, was kept at the back of the departing line. The horse showed nervousness, but also remarkable obedience to the reins and the voice of the driver. When the word to go was given, the horse, trembling in every limb, trotted past the exit gate. Then suddenly it reared and fell on its back in full harness.

A trained circus horse could not have better done what Foxy Quiller then did. He righted himself without breaking a shaft or a trace, or dislodging a harness belt, his driver sitting calmly meanwhile in the runaway seat, and then trotted through the entrance. It was a masterful exhibition of an excellent driver in charge of a spirited horse that had been trained to perfection.

Thirteen experts braved the hoodoo and took part in the potato race. Each one of the thirteen had a list of acquaintances in the boxes and parquet, and was inspired thereby to do his best. He did it, and the result was a contest beside which jousting of the early days was tame despite its sanguinary aspect. The young men, mounted on well-trained polo ponies, and each a free lance, went at the game as though, like in the times when knighthood was in flower, a fayne lady's smile was the prize to be won.

S. Louis Von Phil, as reckless a rider as ever thrived long across a horse's back, won the prize. It was not his game to go after the potatoes; he was distinctly and avowedly a pirate who robbed each potato carrier that came in his way. He shattered his lance many times, but each time he also shattered a potato; and as he could get a fresh lance often than the others could get a fresh potato, he won. George Clemmons was an "added starter" in this contest, and his riding was one of the features, although his potato score was not the highest.

The other contestants were Paul Brown, J. B. E. Grace, S. T. Eschke, Earl San-

dusky, Hodgen Love, J. H. Schmitt, John Long, W. G. Massarene, A. B. Nichols, Theodore Salome and F. W. Bronaugh.

The chrysanthemum battle, in which a party of eight, led by Samuel C. Davis, took part, was exciting, though short. G. H. Walker gained the trophy through dodging the hands that grasped for his chrysanthemum longer than did anyone else. There was plenty of "freebooting" in this contest, as those who were robbed of their red or white token were at liberty immediately to take part on either side.

The did so with avidity, and friend and foe became inseparable for the moment. Those who took part in this contest, in addition to Mr. Davis and Mr. Walker, were O. L. Merzman, A. T. West, George W. Simmons, John L. Boland, Jr., Hugh McK. Jones and Walter McKittick.

HANDSOME HORSES AND DARING RIDERS CHEERED

While people were still thronging into the Coliseum, and before the overture by the Sixteenth Infantry band was finished, the first horse show event opened. Little Vic, a beautiful bay gelding of Julius S. Walsh, Jr., stopped on the tankark and the crowd yelled for him.

He was followed by Sir Calvin and Fanny. There were several other entries, and the horses stopped, side-stepped, pirated and went through their collegiate paces, but after the judges had looked them over the blue ribbon went to "Little Vic," the red ribbon to Sir Calvin, and the yellow ribbon to Fanny, owned by Mr. Alex. Schmid.

The judges of the horse show events were Col. Charles A. Pratt of Little Rock, Ark.; Dr. C. H. New York; and James H. Bright of St. Louis. W. E. Dean of St. Louis was ringmaster. The feature of military music chased the saddlers from the ring. There followed Lieutenant by another gate, a cavalry band of military music. The band, which came a troop of U. S. cavalrymen, played a march and then the cavalry drill with the precision of regulars, and were rewarded with long and deep cheers.

The hearts of the people were with the blue of the nation, and the soldiers got cheers to spare.

The following class of the show events was shown as follows: My Delight, by Adol-

phus Busch, a dark bay gelding, owned by Julius S. Walsh, Jr., was the winner of the blue ribbon. The red ribbon was won by the yellow, and the yellow by the blue.

The result is that the greater part of the receipts is net profit, and will go to the Post-Dispatch, and the relief funds of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the St. Louis Provident Association and the Jewish Relief Society. The expenses were guaranteed by the Post-Dispatch, which advanced all money necessary to meet preliminary bills.

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The ambulance took the corners on two wheels. The ambulance doors swung wide. The bell changed. It was a veritable race for a life. Those who were not holding their respective groats were cheering. The ambulance scraped paint every time it rounded a corner. The pace was so swift and the suspense so great that the audience breathed easier when the end came and the ambulance trotted safely into the back round and everyone was sure the nurses at least were safe.

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West defeated all the others who got the blue ribbon.

An amusing incident followed. Two men who were fighting in the arena were captured by six policemen and thrown into a patrol wagon commanded by Chief of Police Kieley in person.

The umbrella race, another gymkana event, was won by Sam Erskine. In the melee, a gymkana event which followed, wherein horsemen armed with single sticks endeavored to knock pompons from the top of one another's masks, W. G. Massarene knocked off most of his opponent's crests. Every rider was heavily battered while the audience cheered their gameness and horsemanship.

In the four-in-hand event, in which there were five entries, August A. Busch's superb team, Prince Lief, Edna, Marie and Major, easily carried away the blue ribbon. Claude Kilpatrick's Ballentine, brilliant, Dewey and Glenn got the red ribbon. W. J. King 2d and H. C. G. Luytjes were awarded the yellow and white trophies, respectively.

The events concluded with a series of brilliant gymkana stunts on horseback by members of the Eighth United States Cavalry, of monkey riding, Cossack standing equestrian feats and a similar score. This brought the crowd up standing in enthusiastic applause.

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BOXES HELD MERRY PARTIES OF SOCIETY FOLK

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Francis and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Francis, Jr., were in box 22. Mayor and Mrs. Wells and their sons were in one of the adjoining boxes.

Hon. F. G. Neidringhaus, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Neidringhaus and Mr. and Mrs. Fido Sharp were with Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Neidringhaus.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mallinckrodt entertained Dr. and Mrs. Campbell Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Zach Tinker had their daughter with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bascom had a party of young men with them. Mr. and Mrs. Walker Hill had several friends with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koehler had friends with them. President Francis and Mrs. Francis were with Mrs. John T. Davis, Mr. L. D. Dwyer and Mr. Ricardo Diaz Albertini.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fowler entertained several friends, among them Miss Letah Whittemore.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning Hodgeman were in the box adjoining Mayor Wells' box. The F. D. Hirschberg had Miss Lucille Chouteau and a party of young men with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ralku and Mr. and Mrs. Restner, Miss Ruoblock and several members of the German commission were in the box adjoining Gen. Bates and a party of friends he entertained in his box.

Mr. and Mrs. Bloom and Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Tait and Miss Edna Tait were in one of the boxes, and their neighbors were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Prentiss and Miss Lottie Klemm.

Dr. and Mrs. Shoemaker were the guests of the Otto Merzmanns in their box. Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Busch, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Busch, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Faust, Mrs. Mollie F. Glenister and Miss Vera Tait were in one of the boxes, and their neighbors were Mr. and Mrs. Minnie Busch and several gentlemen friends occupied three boxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. David, Mrs. Lillian Mitchell and Miss Carol West were in the box adjoining the D. H. Francis, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown entertained several friends. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Lockland had a party of young people with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Carleton had Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carleton with them. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Handian entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Handian, Mr. and Mrs. Lemp and the Misses Handian in their box.

Liver and Kidneys

It is highly important that these organs should properly perform their functions. When they don't, what lameness of the skin and back, what yellowness of the skin, what constipation, bad taste in the mouth, sick headache, pimples and blotches, and loss of courage, tell the story.

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EVANS IS GIVEN 35 YEARS FOR SLAYING OF WIFE

His Dramatic Story of Woman's Death on Witness Stand Thought by Some to Have Been Damaging to Him.

STUNNED WHEN JURORS ANNOUNCE THE VERDICT

New Trial Will Be Asked and If That Is Denied Attorneys Say Appeal to Higher Court Will Be Taken.

Thirty-five years in the penitentiary is the punishment inflicted on Edgar Lee Evans for the murder of his wife, Marcella Antoinette Evans. The jury which heard the evidence against him declared him guilty of murder in the second degree.

The sentence, it is understood, was a compromise. There was no difference of opinion, it seems, among the jurors as to the guilt of the accused man, but different views are understood to have been taken as to the weight which should be attached to the state of mind he was in when the deed was committed. Some wanted to let him off with twenty-five years and some wanted to give him ninety-nine years.

While Evans was at first stunned and indulged himself in grief, he soon recovered and showed he was glad he had escaped the death penalty.

The trial had occupied two days in Judge Foster's criminal division of the circuit court. Throughout the trial the hearing of Evans was nonchalant. The defense was that Mrs. Evans had cut her husband, and then killed herself. Evans told a circumstantial story to that effect on the witness stand, but overreached in his attempt to make the story dramatically effective. It is thought that his bearing in court and on the stand helped to convict him and that the conduct of his wife influenced the jury to give him less than the extreme penalty.

Mrs. Evans was killed on the night of July 6, at midnight. She was found lying dead on the sidewalk at Leffingwell and Lucas avenues, with her throat cut. Evans was sitting on the curb with a gas in his throat and his wrists slashed.

The couple had been living at 2708 Lucas avenue. Evans had gone to San Francisco, and when he returned he found that his wife had gone away with Frank Davenport, a man who roomed at the house. He determined to go away and was sitting on the front steps when his wife and Davenport passed on the opposite side of the street. After Davenport had gone the tragedy was enacted.

Evans is 25 years old. He met his wife in Pittsburgh and they were married at Greenville, Ohio, and were married, although the woman already had a husband.

Evans' attorneys will ask for a new trial and if that is denied they will appeal the case.

DECLARES BLACK A CANDIDATE

Friendly Newspaper Asserts Former Governor Is in Field for Senatorship.

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 17.—The candidacy of former Gov. Frank B. Black for the United States senatorship in place of Chauncey M. Depew is announced today in the Troy Times in a complimentary article. The Times is regarded here as peculiarly close to Black.

FURS! FURS! FURS!

The great Russian fur exhibits from the Russian section of the Manufacturers and Variety Industries buildings of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition is now on sale at 1117 OLIVE ST. A great sacrifice by order of the Russian commission, Mr. L. A. Robinson and will continue until the entire stock is sold. In order to avoid the long delay in their arrival it was necessary to close out the entire stock at great sacrifice. Everything in fur for ladies and gentlemen is on exhibition. Such an opportunity of getting real furs has never been offered before in the United States. Call early and inspect these beautiful goods for yourself, as they will be disposed of quickly. Don't forget the number, 1117 Olive St. St. Louis. The Russian Fur Exhibits have no connection with any fur fumes or any fur dealers in the United States.

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"THE DOG IS THE BURGLAR'S WORST ENEMY"



THOMAS G. BOLAND

Thomas G. Boland, Sentenced for Three Years, Tells Tricks of His Trade by Which Houses Are Robbed.

WOMEN'S TONGUES THE BURGLARS' BEST TOOLS

Barking Dogs and Crying Babies Are the Most Feared by Night Prowlers to Whom Heavy Locks Are No Bars.

**Burglary Statistics of
One Year in St. Louis.**

Number of burglaries.....	275
With skeleton keys.....	95
Insecure doors or windows.....	50
Prying door and windows.....	100
locks.....	100
Cutting glass.....	100
Burglars frightened away by dogs.....	50

Thomas G. Boland, confessed burglar, who is in jail awaiting transportation to the penitentiary, where he is to serve three years, says most burglaries could be prevented by carefulness on the part of householders.

In an interview with a Post-Dispatch reporter he said:

"Believing that carelessness on the part of a housekeeper is responsible for me being here behind the bars on a charge of burglary I present these facts to the public in the hope that they may serve to decrease the crime.

"Temptation to rob a house after I saw a thin piece of paper being used as a window pane was more than I could stand.

"I played the burglary game because I saw it was easy.

"If people would be more careful burglary would be more difficult and there would be less lives in danger at the hands of burglars.

Burglary is like the measles. It can be stopped if the precaution is taken.

"A burglar's chief stock in trade is luck, and that luck is measured by the carelessness of his victims.

"A dog is a burglar's worst enemy. Any burglar would rather tackle a house containing a dozen sleeping men with revolvers under their pillows than one containing a lone woman and a little pup. The pup can make enough noise to wake the woman and the woman can make enough noise to wake the whole neighborhood.

"Next to a barking dog a howling baby is about the worst thing a burglar can meet with after he gets inside of a house.

"Two-thirds of the burglaries would never happen if the people would lock their doors and windows at night.

Women Give Information.

"If women would not tell so much of their family history to strangers a good many burglaries would never come off.

"People seem to think that burglary is committed without thinking first. Every job is planned in advance. The burglar is studied so well that the burglar comes pretty near knowing what he's going up against before he ever enters a house.

"Between 1 and 3 a. m. are the usual business hours of a burglar. That is the time people are having their sound sleep. After 3 a. m. the milkman and the breadman are stirring. Before 1 a. m. the rounder is in the building in.

"The ordinary window lock on which a lot of people depend to keep their windows secure is a grave for a burglar. A chisel, which every burglar carries, will pry the strongest lock, but the strongest burglar on earth, with the strongest tools, could never budge a window that is propped with a common stick of wood, unless he smash the pane, and no burglar with any sense would do that.

"The easiest kind of a lock to pick is the old-style rimlock, which is the only kind that most people have on their doors. A latch Yale lock besides the regular rimlock is a combination that no burglar can beat.

"Two important things for persons not wanting to see burglars to remember are that the weak screws with which window locks are fastened will give way easily to a chisel, and that a skeleton key will open any rimlock.

"A bolt inside of the door always gives a burglar trouble, but it can't keep him out. An innocent pocket-knife will slip almost any bolt.

How He Learns What He Desires.

"When a stranger approaches a front door and asks if 'Mr. Brown' lives there it isn't necessary for the lady of the house to reply. No, sir; my husband's name's Smith, and he is dead. I have no men-folks in my house at all. I am here all alone.' But she will say that here, unless she is different from most. Then if she feels like talking, and when a woman doesn't, the stranger, by saying he is a solicitor of some bank or trust company, can easily learn that she does not believe in banks, that she always keeps her money and jewels in her bureau drawer, or in her trunk in the middle room of the second floor, or in her stockings under the pillow, or in some other place about the house where no burglar can get at it.

"She will tell him, if he is a smooth enough to lead the talk, that there are no dogs or babies in the house; that she never locks the windows at night because burglars would never think of coming in that way; that she would not have a revolver because she is afraid of them; that she is a sound sleeper, and that—what's the use of pumping the poor good lady any further?

there? What more does any burglar want to find out than the coast is clear, and that it's a shame to take the money?

"Servant girls in the rich districts are giving up information to strangers. If a burglar wants to get the lay of a house, all he has to do is knock on the back door, look innocent and pathetic and he'll get all the sympathy and information he is looking for. Of course, all servant girls and housekeepers are not so easy, but just think, a burglar can visit 25 houses a day if he has to and, surely, out of that number he will find a good 'job.' Look at the number of places a sewing machine agent must visit before he finds a customer.

Burglars Always Are Desperate Men.

"You often hear people talk about what they would do if they ever caught a burglar in their houses, how they would stick a revolver to his head and say, 'Now, I've got you. Get down on your knees or I'll kill you.' That is a great bunch of tommyrot. A burglar, no matter how much of a coward he is, is the greatest being on earth when cornered. He has had the advantage of having time to think before going at the job and he knows before he ever enters a house that it will be a case of his life or the other man's if he is caught. He knows that every time he enters a house at night he is taking his life in his hands. He knows the risk and he takes it. Otherwise he would never try the job.

"A burglar knows that the odds are against him, that he will get the worst of the deal in court in case he should kill or wound any one, and he also knows that he will be caught if he gets a wound himself. The easiest kind of a lock to pick is the old-style rimlock, which is the only kind that most people have on their doors. A latch Yale lock besides the regular rimlock is a combination that no burglar can beat.

"The best advice I can give to a man who catches a burglar in his house is 'Don't get between the burglar and the latter's means of escape.'

SOCIETY WELCOMES MORTON'S DAUGHTER

Washington Circles Glad at Addition From Family of the Secretary of the Navy.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—One of the largest and most interesting debut parties of the winter was given this afternoon by the secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Morton to introduce their daughter, Miss Pauline Morton.

Representatives of official and resident society, from the White House family down, braved the heavy snow which had been falling all day to do honor to the occasion.

Miss Morton, who is just 18 years old and exceedingly pretty, is one of the few young women of the cabinet circle and its only debutante for this season.

She is the daughter of a prominent naval officer, including Miss Fitch, Miss Gaff, Miss De Aspiroz, daughter of the Mexican ambassador; Miss Hoyt, Miss Schroeder, Miss Ridgely, Miss Hobson of Boston, Miss Ekins and Miss Miller.

The Mortons have leased the home of the late Senator Quay.

HAMILTON HOTEL AND APARTMENTS.

Suites or two rooms and upward, with bath; also furnished flats adjoining hotel, with or without hotel service. "New for New St. Louis."

VERMONT CHEERS PRESIDENT

Head of Family of Twelve Sends Photograph of Numerous Children to White House.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Senator Proctor gave the President a photograph today of Franklin C. Dewar of St. Albans, Vt., his wife and two children. "It may lighten the cares of state for a few minutes and serve as antidote to the President's apprehensions on race suicide," wrote Mr. Dewar.

Do You Know?

The Oriental Bazaar at 204 North Broadway, greatest reduction and clearing sale of Oriental art goods. Everything in the store must be sold. Only one week. All the goods sold below cost. Come early and select these goods for holiday presents.



BY CHIEF OF DETECTIVES DESMOND

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It is impossible to keep a record of how burglaries are committed, but I should say from recollection that skeleton keys are used more than any other device as a means of gaining entrance to residences.

About two-thirds of the burglaries are committed with the aid of skeleton keys. When I say skeleton keys, I include "outsiders" and lock-picks. An "outsider" is made so that it will grip the key after having been inserted in the keyhole from the outside.

Nearly every burglar arrested has a set of these keys either on his person when taken into custody or in his room. A dog is the surest preventive of burglary. We receive an average of three or four reports a month of attempted burglaries setting forth that the intruder was frightened away by the barking of a dog.

My advice to women is, "Don't tell your business to strangers."

A good many burglaries would not occur if people would lock their doors and windows at night. A dozen reports reach this office a month telling of houses being entered by burglars through an insecure door or window.

WOOD ALCOHOL IS FATAL TO SIX MEN

Crew of Push Boat Find Can of Liquor in Cargo and Drink It.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

ASHLAND, Ky., Dec. 17.—Capt. Spriggs, Shade Daniels, Harrison Spencer, Curt Adams, Sam Harmon and Winfield Daniel of the crew of the push boat which left Prestonsburg last evening, are dead at the mouth of Beaver creek as a result of drinking wood alcohol. John Mobie, Ike Dorsett and Tom Salmon are critically ill from the same cause.

The boat left Prestonsburg, the present terminus of the Big Sandy railway, with a cargo of general freight for Pikeville. In the cargo was a can of wood alcohol consigned to a photographer at Pikeville. Supper was prepared and one of the crew who discovered the can of alcohol suggested to his companions that they make merry. The can was opened and the drinks prepared.

Soon all became violently sick, no one of the crew being able to go for medical assistance. Six of them were dead within an hour. All nine men were residents of Paintsville.

BIG FORT WORTH DEPOT BURNS

Passenger Station Goes Up in Smoke With \$250,000 Loss—New Structure Likely.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 17.—The Fort Worth Union passenger station, owned by the Goulds, burned here this afternoon. The loss is \$250,000 at least and may be much more. It is believed it will be rebuilt.

The Last Chance

For official view books and novelties, cut prices. Souvenirs of the greatest Exposition. 213 Broadway.

County Hotel Changes Hands.

The Epworth Hotel Construction and Real Estate Co. proprietors of the Epworth Hotel, made an assignment at Clay County. The trust company of St. Louis County. The trust company has died a loan on the building and is the largest creditor. The hotel was built for World's Fair purposes, but was constructed of permanent materials. Since the Fair closed it has been operated as a family hotel and will continue to be operated as such.

FARRIS WILL ASK CHANGE OF VENUE

Attorneys for State Senator Indicted for Bribery Seek Another Delay in Trial.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 17.—Senator Frank H. Farris of Crawford County here before Special Judge W. W. Graves for Monday on the charge of bribery. His attorneys this afternoon notified Attorney-General Crow and Prosecuting Attorney Stone that they would file a motion for a change of venue from Cole County.

The motion for a change of venue will be presented tomorrow night by the Girls' Literary Society of the Central High school in lieu of their annual sleight-of-hand contest. The young women will be clad in Grecian costumes and choruses will be sung between the acts.

One thousand invitations have been issued. The program will be given in the High School auditorium, and will be followed by a reception in the corridors.

Fifty-seven young women will participate in the program. The principal parts will be taken by Miss Leone Robinson, Promethus; Miss Evelyn Henderson, Atlas; Miss Louise Myers, Dramogorion; Miss Mabel Taylor, Panthea; Miss Anna Stillwell, Ione; Miss Gussie Leane, Jupiter; Miss Irene Fathman, Earth; Miss Gloria Lynde, Ocean; Miss Gertrude Kirksey, Apollo; Miss Minnie Bryan, Mercury; Miss Brunette Krone, Spirit of the Earth.

St. Louis has more Post-Dispatch readers every day than it has horses.

FORT'S DEFENDERS SIDE HILL

Unthrown Snowballs Guard St. Louis Fortress While Little Soldiers Play With Sleds.

ANOTHER THAW PARABLE

Something About a Dear Dead Dog That Stole Child's Love for Grandmother.

BY ROSE MARION.

St. Louis is once again a fortified town. The fortifications were erected early Saturday morning. They are made of great boulders of hard packed snow and have for their foundation the rise of ground on Geyer avenue near California.

The fort faces to the southwest. There is the grayness of earth mixed in with the white of the snow which gives the fort the effect of gray stone.

Its garrison, its work of building done, its balls all molded and piled near the positions assumed by the gunners, was coasting down the side hill north of the fort Saturday at noon.

The members of the garrison were in varied-colored uniforms. One wore long buckskin leggings, a brown coat and a red hood. She didn't look Amazonish and I'm not sure that she drew her own sled up the hill each time.

Another was in knickerbockers, his long coat wide open and dragging behind his sled as he coasted streetwards.

No one was on guard in the big fort. Neither did any flag wave over its parapet. Southwardly lay in the way it frowned southwardly and in its large quantities of half frozen ammunition.

Twice it passed, but all was peace in the fort and I understand that the garrison fears no fall except from Gen. Thaw.

A Shaw Parable.

Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw is considered the best "converter" the Republican party possesses. Had the ministry called Secretary Shaw his coat have been a missionary duty. His use of parables is considered one of his strong points.

Here's a story he told Republican Committeeman T. J. Akins when the latter was his guest at lunch in Washington recently. "Made a speech in Atlanta at a banquet one night. Tried my best to talk well. Audience didn't take to my sentiments. Talked about our future, our present state of property, and then again about our slavery future. The temperature dropped. It was still that way when I took my seat.

"Right speakers followed me. Every one of them said: 'I am not here to make apology for the South. In substance each one announced it as his position. The position of the South was right at the time of the war between the states and was right now.

"That constant repetition bothered me. I couldn't sit still. When the speeches were done I arose and said: 'Mr. Toastmaster, it is not customary for a man to ask permission to speak twice, but I crave pardon to do so because I have something to say.

"Go ahead with your parable, Secretary Shaw," said the toastmaster. "There was once," said a husband and wife. Both were of good families and had had good breeding. Discussion arose between them as to the propriety of the wife's relatives, sure that she was right, engaged the best attorneys. The husband said:

"There was searching for evidence." "Five and one-half years were consumed in this. Relatives were consumed of both became involved in the case. The time for trial came. A learned judge heard the evidence offered. He said: 'The greater part of this man and woman can not be divorced. Everything shows that they must live together. The temperature dropped. It was still that way when I took my seat.

"To the couple I said: 'You must live together. Go back to your home. Attend to all your duties. Of one thing I am sure: 'mamma' can not be divorced. That which has passed in the last five years. Of that, silence always."

"Everyone listened patiently, but not a word of comment was made. Wonder if I didn't make myself clear?"

Her Reason Was a Dog.

The family had tried for a long time to understand just why a 5-year-old girl preferred her paternal grandmother to "mamma." The girl's mother, who was well remembered when she said, "I like them both the same."

"Big ears came to her eyes, the smile ran away from her face, her head dropped.

"'Cause,' she said, 'mamma's Mother' hit my Bruno Tin once and now he's dead.

"Bruno Tin was my dog, Aunt Lill, the bestest dog. But he's sleeping in his grave in the garden. We'll let him rest in peace, but I wish she didn't hit him."

WATCHES AND JEWELRY BARGAINS.

Everything retailed at wholesale prices. See our immense Holiday line. Byers Jewelry Co., 1204 Olive, wholesale jewelers.

FREE TICKETS FOR STOCKMEN

Judge Butler Holds Railroads Must Furnish Return Passage From Points Within State.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

LINCOLN, Mo., Dec. 17.—Judge Butler, in Lynn County Circuit Court, today found the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad guilty of violating section 186 of the Missouri statutes of 1890 and finds that the railroad must furnish return transportation for one person with each car of stock shipped from one point within the state to another point within the state. The railroad was enjoined from further violations of statutes. The court further ordered that the plaintiffs recover the sum they had paid for return transportation. Appeal was taken to the Supreme court. The case will be followed with great interest by stockmen in all sections of Missouri.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' RECITAL.

Shelley's "Prometheus Unbound" Will Be Rendered.

"Prometheus Unbound," by Shelley, will be presented tomorrow night by the Girls' Literary Society of the Central High school in lieu of their annual sleight-of-hand contest. The young women will be clad in Grecian costumes and choruses will be sung between the acts.

SON'S DISGRACE KILLS FATHER

Imprisonment Sentence for J. N. Ray, Denver Election Official, Fatal News for A. M. Ray.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 17.—Joseph W. Ray, an election judge, who is serving a sentence of imprisonment for a year for a conviction of receiving word today that his son, A. M. Ray, dropped dead at his bed in Minneapolis, Minn., after reading a letter from his son, giving an account of a circumstance leading to his incarceration.

Victor Talking Machines.

Grand Prize Winner \$15 to \$100. Records \$1. \$2. \$3 each. We have all the Records and Tunes. Sheets that are listed. Elegant line of Dime and Cylinder Records. Home, Carriage Cases, etc. Open evenings. Call and hear the finest Machines and Records made. Mail orders solicited.

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BUTLER MEN PLAN TO ORGANIZE CLUB

Rival of Jefferson Organization to Be Instituted by McCarthy and Fontana.

COMMITTEE ROLLERS OILED

Members Friendly to the "Old Man" Are Expected to Be Ousted by Majority.

Eighteen of the 23 members of the Democratic city central committee have requested Chairman John R. McCarthy to call a meeting for next Monday night. This request constitutes a call for the meeting. The effort to "oil" at least five of the Butler men on the committee is anticipated.

Chairman McCarthy is the leader of the Butler forces in the committee. "Ike" Conran of the Fifth ward, John R. Williams of the Fourteenth, Jimmie Farley of the Twenty-second and "Bobby" Carroll of the Twenty-fifth are the other Butler men. "I guess they want us to give an account of the money we were given to spend in our wards last fall," said Farley, who is a deputy recorder of deeds. "Well, that will be easy. It is the custom to make out checks in the name of the precinct men. Several of my precinct committeemen could not do the work and I was forced to hire substitutes. Many other ward committeemen found themselves in the same predicament, and doubtless turned the checks over to the men who did the canvassing and hustling on registration day. These men were entitled to the money. I understand that the grand jury has been investigating this matter. Some of my precinct committeemen were called before that body."

While the opposition to the Butler element is getting ready to "fire" the Butler committeemen the latter are doing some quiet work themselves. A conference of Butler leaders was held at "Col. Ed. Fontana's house" the other night. John R. Fontana, John R. McCarthy, "Bobby" Carroll and other lieutenants of the "old man" went over the situation thoroughly and plans were considered for the organization of another Democratic club to fight the Butler forces. The club, which will be named the Jefferson Club, will pick out five able organizers in each ward and set up a club of their own.

McCarthy went on record the other day as being in favor of the enactment of a law prohibiting policemen or firemen from becoming members of any political club.

Clocks and Music Boxes.

On Art Bazaar, great variety.

Hall Clocks \$4.00 to \$10.00

Library Clocks \$5.00 to \$20.00

Mantel Clocks \$2.50 to \$8.00

Music Boxes \$1.00 to \$4.00

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PUT CITY BEFORE PARTNER'S WISHES

Former Councilman Meyersburg Says He Refused Official Aid to Business Associate.

FIRM WAS THEN DISSOLVED

Defendant in Suit for Accounting Admits Reason for Severing Partnership.

During the arguments before Judge Adams in chambers yesterday in the suit of former Councilman Emil A. Meyersburg against A. F. Littlefield of Chicago for a division of the profits of the firm of Littlefield & Meyersburg, dealers in street railway supplies, it developed that Mr. Littlefield made a deposition in which he said he dissolved the partnership in 1900 because Mr. Meyersburg refused to report the city lighting bill out of a personal committee of which he was then chairman. In the deposition Littlefield explains that a customer of the firm wanted the bill reported. The customer, he explained, was Hugh J. McGowan, president of the Indianapolis Street Railway Co. Littlefield said he desired to please McGowan because that would help the Lorraine Steel Co., which Littlefield & Meyersburg represented, as McGowan was a large buyer of steel. So Littlefield, according to his deposition, asked Meyersburg over the long distance telephone to report the bill, one providing for competition for the city lighting contract, out of the committee. Littlefield says Meyersburg refused to give him any satisfaction, saying he would do as his conscience directed. Meyersburg did not report the bill and Littlefield says he notified Meyersburg that he did not desire him as a partner any longer. Charles Kratz was a member of the Council at the same time as Meyersburg. Like Kratz, Meyersburg was indicted at the beginning of the trouble. Littlefield said he was the first man tried, was convicted of bribery and sentenced to three years. The Supreme Court reversed the sentence, and the case has not been retried. The charge against Meyersburg was that he sold to Philip Stock, legislative agent of the Suburban Railroad Co., depreciated stock in an electrical company on which he had lost money. Kratz testified that the deal was arranged through Kratz. Meyersburg's defense was that the sale was a commercial transaction and did not influence him as a member of the Council, as he subsequently voted against the Suburban franchise bill when it came up for passage.

GLOBE'S CHRISTMAS SHOW.

Wonderful Selection of Suitable Gifts on Display at Big Store Are Described in Advertisement. Santa Claus will have no trouble in finding anything that is wanted for both the young and old if he reads the advertisement of the Globe, Seventh street and Franklin avenue, which appears in the Post-Dispatch this morning. For months the buyers of this store have been busy in all parts of the world picking up bargains for the immense holiday trade that the big store always enjoys. Beginning Monday the store will be open every night until Christmas, keeping the doors open as long as is necessary to accommodate the rush that is sure to come. As a special inducement the Globe will give two blue trailing stamps for each 10-cent purchase that is made from 2 in the morning until noon, but this offer is only good until Christmas.

The advertisement shows an immense line of toys for the children, including sleighs and steam engines for the boys, printing presses, and drums, with all kinds of dolls, doll pianos, trunks for the dolls, wardrobe and magic lanterns for the girls. In the useful gifts for the children can be found an immense assortment of dresses for girls of all ages and suits for the boys, be they little or large. For the wife or sweetheart the Globe offers an assortment of furs that ranges in price from a scarf at 50 cents to a \$200 Persian lamb coat, which is offered at lines of handkerchiefs, with a pretty box of handkerchiefs, with a pretty box free with each half dozen purchase can be found in the linen department. A pair of gloves is always an acceptable present and in that line there is a sale of a dollar quality at 50 cents, with the regular \$1.50 line selling at \$1. With the gloves that sell for a dollar the Globe makes a present of a handsome glove box. The windows of the big store are the attraction of the city and from early morning until way into the night they call the attention of thousands of Christmas shoppers who appreciate the combination of good goods, an immense assortment and the lowest prices to the city.

DEMOCRATS FILE CONTESTS.

William Zachritz, Defeated Republican Candidate, Follows Suit.

Notices of contest were filed in Circuit Court yesterday by William Zachritz, Republican, and John A. Blevins, James R. Kinney, Virgil Rule and W. Christy Ryan, Democrats, defeated candidates for circuit judges. Carl O. O'Connell, defeated Democratic candidate for circuit attorney, and Andrew J. Riley, defeated Democratic candidate for assistant circuit attorney. All the petitions allege fraud in the election, declaring that if the election had been fairly conducted the petitioners would have been elected.

World's Fair Displays. The display of the Royal Doulton pottery of England, which was awarded two grand prizes and the following exhibits, all of which were awarded either gold medals or grand prizes, have been purchased by the St. Louis Hardware Co. The exhibit of table cutlery from Landers, Frary & Clark of New Britain, Conn.; the art ware exhibit of the Royal Copenhagen pottery of Denmark; also Franz Dorella's Vienna ware, Salviati ware from Florence, Italy, and the marble statuary display of Prof. Besse of Volterra, Italy, and Antonio Frilli of Florence, Italy. These goods are now on sale at the Broadway store, corner Broadway and St. Charles street, offering at Littlefield's rare opportunity to select Christmas gifts from the finest goods ever produced in the world.

NEIGHBORS OPPOSE NUISANCE.

First Ward Improvement Association to Petition Authorities.

The First Ward Improvement Association will meet tomorrow night at Turner and Kossuth Avenues for the purpose of taking action against a nuisance in the vicinity of the studios at the old Fair grounds. It is said by residents of the neighborhood that refuse has been allowed to accumulate at these studios until it has become very objectionable. The association will probably call upon the health department to take some action or afford relief.

Open till 9:00 P. M. Beautiful and useful articles. Appropriate Xmas gifts—50c to \$5.00. MERMOD & JACCARD'S, Broadway and Locust.

FOR ONE DRINK, HOW'S THIS

Friends of Denver Railroad Man Give Him Loving Cup Holding Seventy-Five Pints.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 17.—A loving cup, with a capacity of 75 pints, the largest ever made, was presented today to President David H. Moffatt of the Denver, North-western and Pacific Railroad. Former Gov. Thomas made the presentation on behalf of many of Mr. Moffatt's Denver friends.

NEW DAUGHTER GREET'S HIM

City Fireman Became Father as He Secured Verdict Against United Railways Co.

Harry F. Burleigh has a right to count himself a lucky man. He obtained a verdict against the United Railways Co. and a daughter at the same time. Mr. Burleigh's verdict against the company is believed to be worth \$4000 to him. He has not placed a valuation on the

daughter, but he rates her away above the verdict. Burleigh is a city fireman. He got the verdict for injuries received on Dec. 29, 1903, when a truck on which he was riding was struck by a car at Ohio and Geyer avenues. His victory was notable in that the judgment was first given against the Transit company since that company was absorbed by the United Railways Co., and under the instruction of Judge Blevins, the judgment rests against the surviving as well as the defunct corporation. When Burleigh went to the offices of his attorneys, Barclay & Safford, after obtaining the verdict, a telephone message was awaiting him there informing him that a daughter had been born to him while the verdict was being given.

DIED PLEASING HIS TEACHER

Sprig of Cedar That Cost Life of Millard Tharp Laid on His Coffin.

At the funeral of little Millard Tharp, yesterday afternoon, there was laid on his coffin a sprig of evergreen responsible for his death. He was 9 years old and a pupil at the Ames School in Hebert street near Thirteenth. More than a week ago, Millard's teacher, Miss d'Armand, asked if someone would bring in a sprig of evergreen to be used

by her in illustrating a Christmas story. Millard volunteered for his home at 278 North Broadway was near the railroad tracks and he had seen carloads of Christmas trees in the freight yards. He went with his little brother, Clinton, aged 5, and was crawling under a car searching for scraps of cedar, when a train backed down and the wheels crushed his legs. That was a week ago Saturday, and death came last Thursday at the City Hospital. The sprig of cedar gathered for his teacher was laid beside his floral offering, and that was his schoolmate's last gift. Four little schoolmates acted as pallbearers. They were Arthur Meacher, Clarence Fauntleroy, George Fox and Edwin Huber.

ASK REVIEW OF POSTAL CASES.

Machen, Loren and Groff to Carry Fight to the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The attorneys for August W. Machen, George B. Loren and Samuel A. and D. B. Groff, convicted of complicity in postoffice frauds, decided today to apply to the United States Supreme Court for a review of the cases. Marshall, Lebkuehn, Sproten, Oysara, Gams, Sausage, Cheese, etc., at Faust's Palace Market, Fourth street.

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Stationery For Xmas Gifts.

Calling Cards—100 fine engraved cards with copper nameplate—script lettering—a very appropriate gift. Price only \$1.50

Writing Paper—50 sheets Writing Paper and Envelopes to match—paper stamped with initial or two-letter monogram—in fancy box. Price, \$1.00

New Art Glass In China Salesroom

Our recent importations from the Old World include "Murano Art Glass," from the celebrated works of Nany, Dr. Candiani and Salvati & Co., Testilini. This ware is beautiful in design and modeled after the early Venetian treatment of glass. Very dainty pieces for the cabinet. \$4.00 to \$32.00

Austrian Inlaid Gold Glass.

American Beauty Vase, Bronze handles. \$5.00
Olive and Bon Bon. 75c to \$4.50
Dishes. \$4.50 to \$11.00
Cocktail Sets. \$16.00 to \$39.00
Bowls. \$4.50 to \$11.00
Loving Cups. \$4.50 to \$25.00
Vases—Splendid Values. \$5.00 to \$25.00
Fruit Dishes. \$9.50 to \$11.50
Careful attention given to packing and shipping. Mail orders for Holiday goods should be sent at once, to insure prompt delivery.

Fine China for Xmas.



100-Piece Set, \$14.75—Royal English white china, new and artistic shape, beautifully decorated with pink and white apple blossoms and foliage. Price for Set, \$14.75
Four O'Clock Tea Service—Haviland's French china—elegant shape—beautiful decoration. Four Pieces, \$5.75
Leaf Sugar Stand—On foot of real Dresden, lace borders, decorated with hand-painted flowers. Price, \$2.75

Coffee Machines For Christmas Gifts.

LOVERS of good coffee (and most every one is a lover of good coffee) will appreciate as a Xmas present one of these

Makers of Delicious Coffee.

WE are showing several styles and sizes of the newest and latest Improved Coffee Machines.

At from \$3.00 to \$12.00

Coffee or Tea made by this new method is superior, as the beverage is distilled and not boiled.

Open till 9:00 P. M. Beautiful and useful articles. Appropriate Xmas gifts—50c to \$5.00. MERMOD & JACCARD'S, Broadway and Locust.

Diamond Jewelry for Xmas Offerings

Precious Stones—diamonds, pearls, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, opals, turquoise, etc., rare gems of superb beauty and grandly brilliant, set in rings, brooches, necklaces, bracelets, lockets, charms, buttons, scarf pins, earrings, studs, etc.; also many beautiful novelties, such as garter and suspender buckles, card cases, match and cigarette cases, set with precious stones. A grand collection to choose from—the finest at lowest prices.

Brooches

From \$25 to \$10,000

Frog Brooch—set with diamonds and rubies, 63 brilliant cut gems in platinum mounting—Price, \$475

Running Horse—Brooch pin, platinum mounting, running horse design, set with magnificent brilliant cut diamonds—Price, \$265

Crescent Brooch—Harvest moon design, gold mounting, set with (21) diamonds, beautiful brilliant cut white gems—Price, \$210

Fine Diamond Rings

This fine Diamond Ring, clear white brilliant cut stone, in gold mounting—Price \$28

An elegant Diamond Ring, pure white brilliant cut stone, in hand-made gold mounting—Price \$55

Large white Diamond, clear brilliant cut gem, in hand-made gold mounting—Price \$75

Other Diamond Rings from \$6.75 to \$5000.

Necklaces

From \$50 to \$25,000

Diamond Necklace—gold mounting, set with (15) large white brilliant cut gems—a magnificent piece—Price, \$2,450

Pearl and Coral—new festoon Neck Chain, gold mounting, pendant drops of pear-shaped coral from (8) lustrous pearls—Price, \$140

Pearl Necklace—A single strand of wonderfully lustrous pearls, diamond clasp—Price, \$475

Optical Goods For Xmas Gifts.

Opera Glasses—Morocco cover, black finish, japanned mounting—our name on every pair. Others up to \$50.00.

Eye Glasses—What's more appropriate than a pair of gold-rimmed Spectacles or Eye Glasses? Price, \$5.00

Music Boxes On Art Balcony.

Music Boxes that play beautifully, and no limit to the number of pieces—Music Boxes at 75 cents and up to over a hundred dollars. Come and see them and hear them play.

Special Mira Music Box \$12 Handsome mahogany case, 9 1/2 inches, with 12 tune sheets—Special at \$12.00.

The "Mira"

Music Boxes, celebrated music makers, noted for their tone and harmony.

Sold in St. Louis Exclusively by us. We also have a fine line of the "New Century," "Symphonian" and "Swiss" Music Boxes, and will be pleased to show them.

Pottery for Gifts

(On the Balcony.)

Our collection is one of the choicest and most valuable in America, imported and domestic potteries, comprising veritable masterpieces of Zsolnay, Sevres, Cape de Monte, Copenhagen, Luneville, new Vienna, Amфора, Royal Bonn, Rookwood, Teplitz, etc., etc., etc.

"Rookwood"

The famous art pottery from the Ohio Valley: a grand collection—no two pieces alike—vases, jugs, tobacco jars, etc.—Prices, \$2.00 to \$50.00

"Teplitz" Ivory—Statuary, busts and full figures—Prices from \$3.00 to \$47.00

"Old Mission"—Pottery, designs of San Gabriel and San Carlos Missions, red and green, shadings—\$5.25 to \$21.00

Special—An 18-inch Vase for Only \$9.50

Amphora Pottery—Made in Austria; vases, jardiniere, pitchers, etc.—Prices, \$5.00 to \$27.00

Special—11-inch Vase for \$13.50

Before making any purchase for Christmas gifts, come and see this magnificent display.

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Made in France; loving cups, jardiniere, umbrella stands, etc.—Prices, \$4.50 to \$53.00

Zsolnay Ware—Made in Holland; vases, cups, etc.—Prices, \$4.50 to \$46.00

Royal Dresden—Vases in handsome shapes, with hand-painted decoration of cupids, figures, etc.—Prices, \$5.00 to \$55.00

Special—Six-inch Vase, gold decoration; very rich and beautiful—Price, \$16.00

Royal Doulton—Vases 6 to 18 inches high; prices, \$5.00 to \$75.00. A Vase 6 inches high, blue finish, white figure decorations—Only \$5.00

New Clocks

On Art Balcony.

Mantel Clocks in bronze and porcelain "New Art" designs—beautifully decorated, \$1 to \$40. Hall Clocks—tall and stately—in mahogany, rosewood, mission, etc., trimmed with brass and nickel, \$55 to \$510.

Bronze Clock.

As illustrated eight-day movement, half-hour strike, height 12 3/4 inches. Price, \$12.00

Cuckoo Clock.

Beautifully hand-carved, dark wood case, strikes and cuckoos hours and half hours; height 24 inches. Price, \$11.00.

Solid Silver Novelties

There is perhaps no other line of goods that affords more room for choice or so wide a scope in prices as can be found in this department. The fact that they are in our stock is a guarantee of their worth.

Solid Silver Cola Holder—Crown and heart design—place for monogram—ring for chain attachment—very pretty—\$2.50

Solid Silver Paper Weight—Floral decorations—bright finish—each handle—\$1.50

Library Shears—Solid silver handles—\$3.00

Solid Silver Writing Set—Our very attractive "Iris" pattern—complete set—\$51.00

Solid Silver Pocket Cigar Case—Richly chased—a clever conception—\$2.25

Solid Silver Tie Clip—Garnet set—\$1.00

Ladies' Card Case—Solid Silver, with chain—\$12.00

Physicians' Thermometer—A very pretty design, with chain and pin—\$4.00

"Lover's Kiss" design—French gray finish—\$4.50

Solid Silver Cigar Cutter—Can be used as watch chain. \$1.50

Shony Stocking Dancer—Solid silver handle—\$1.00

Whisk Broom—10 inches long—silver mounting—\$6.00

This department is well worth a visit—these few items but suggest the splendid values; our assortment is the largest and most complete ever offered.



"Libbey" Cut Glass for Xmas Gifts.

Attractive goods that are always in demand and popular for Holiday offerings:

Cut Glass Water Bottle—Holds one quart—\$7.50

Cut Glass Celery Tray—4 1/2 x 11 1/2 in.—\$7.00

Cut Glass Vase—10-in. high—\$11.00

Cut Glass Tumblers—per dozen—\$22.00

Cut Glass Footed Punch Bowl—diameter 14-in.—\$65.00

Cut Glass Bowl—8 inches—\$7.50

Cut Glass Sugar Bowl—Cream Pitcher to match—\$3.50

Cut Glass Sauter Champagne—per dozen—\$24.50

Cut Glass Decanter—quart size—\$8.50

Cut Glass Whisky Jug—an acceptable gift—\$4.00

Cut Glass Tea Ball—a dainty table accessory—\$6.00

Cut Glass Water Pitcher—quart size—\$7.50

Cut Glass Berry Bowl—8-in.—\$9.50

Cut Glass Bon Bon Dish—with handles—\$6.75

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ANOTHER DIPLOMAT OWED AMERICAN

Marriage of Netherlands Minister
to Miss Elizabeth Glover Set
for This Week.

BRIDE WON AT SEASHORE

Announcement of Couple's En-
gagement Made Following
Summer at Bar Harbor.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Miss Elizabeth
Glover, whose marriage to the Netherlands
minister, Jonkheer R. De Maroes Van
Swinderen, will take place here on Wednes-
day, Dec. 21, will be the third American
bride in the diplomatic corps at Washing-
ton since May.

Miss Glover is the only daughter of Pres-
ident Charles C. Glover of the First Na-
tional Bank and one of the wealthiest men
in the old residential set of Washington.
The young woman made her debut a few
years ago, is accomplished in many ways
and has traveled much in Europe, so that
she will be no stranger there. For the time
being, however, she remains in Wash-
ington. Mr. Van Swinderen having been
accredited to this government only last
April.

The prospective bridegroom arrived in
this country in time to act as best man
at the marriage of Mr. Van Rosten, who
until his coming, was in charge of the
Netherlands affairs here. Mr. Van Rosten's
bride was Miss Albertina Winthrop of New
York.

Mr. Van Swinderen, who is several
years Miss Glover's senior, is a bachelor
and a man of literary tastes and
ability, and is thoroughly liked among
the diplomats and in society generally.
He was here as secretary of the legation
twelve or fifteen years ago, and on his
return to Washington last spring
was pleased to discover that he had not
been forgotten.

The future husband and wife met at
Bar Harbor last summer and shortly
after Miss Glover's return here in the
autumn, the engagement was announced.
The wedding will be quiet and simple
and the invitations as few as the cir-
cumstances will permit. It will be so-
lemnized in the church of the Epiphany,
Baron Moncheur, the Belgian minister,
will act as best man for Mr. Van Swin-
deren.

Mr. Glover, who was President Roose-
velt's first choice for the chairmanship
of the Language committee, is now
financial career at the age of 19, as a
clerk in a bank, of which he is now
president. He is a public-spirited man
and has done much to develop and
beautify the city with which his family
has been identified for nearly 100 years.
His wife, who was Miss Annie Cun-
ningham Poor, is a daughter of Rear
Admiral Poor.

In addition to their handsome town
house overlooking the Potomac, where
the wedding guests will be enter-
tained, the Grovers own a beautiful
suburban home at "Westover," on the out-
skirts of Georgetown, where, it is re-
ported, Mr. Van Swinderen and his
bride will spend their honeymoon.

Sale of Christmas Gifts.
Tuesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 20,
at the residence of William Harts Circle
of the King's Daughters will have a sale
of useful and ornamental articles for
Christmas gifts.

68-PAGE BOOK AND TRIAL FREE

Cures All Uric Acid Diseases—
Kidneys, Bladder,
Rheumatism

Free Treatment Proves the Cure: Free
Illustrated Book Tells All About
It—Send for Them Both Today.

To Readers of the Post-Dispatch: If you or
anyone you know of is suffering from a disease
of the kidneys, bladder or any form of rheu-
matism you are urged to send me a card
and address to get the free trial treatment and
wonderful non-alcoholic discovery by the re-
spected French-American specialist, Dr. Edwin

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Bladder Trouble
Rheumatism**

Turnback, by which you can cure yourself of any
uric acid disease in a few days. It is a new
and safe and the necessity of an operation and
its complications, stop all acute, pain and
if it you have Bright's disease, diabetes, dropsy,
gravel, weak back, stone in the bladder, enlarged
prostate, frequent desire to urinate, pain in the
back, legs, aches and over the kidneys, swelling
of the feet and ankles, retention of urine, wasting
the bed, or such rheumatic affections as chronic
rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, post, etc. It will
promptly remove every trace of uric acid poison
and its complications, stop all acute, pain and
swellings, strengthen the kidneys and the bladder
so that they will become normal and as healthy
and build up the entire constitution as to
make you feel as healthy and strong as in
your prime.

It did this for legions of others, among them
such well-known persons as Mrs. Martha Baker,
Tyler, Tex.; G. G. Hector, Marshall, N. C.; Mrs.
Mack Devere, Omaha, Neb.; Archibald Rolfe,
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FIFTY-SIX VOTES PLEDGED IN HOUSE FOR REPEAL OF SO-CALLED "BREEDERS' LAW"

Sentiment Is Strong Against
Statute Authorizing Gambling
Under Guise of Aid to Horse
Breeding and to State Fairs.

SENATE LIKELY TO BE
PRINCIPAL BATTLEFIELD

Member Who Voted for Bill Under
Misapprehension as to Purpose
Tells the Post-Dispatch He Will
Favor Repeal

Opinions received by the Post-Dispatch
from 106 of the 175 members of the Forty-
third General Assembly, which will convene
at Jefferson City Jan. 4, 1905, give assur-
ance that a determined effort will be made
to repeal the breeders' law, which licenses
gambling at the race tracks from April to
November of each year, should be repealed.
The breeders' law is in direct conflict
with the general statute which makes pool-
selling and bookmaking a misdemeanor,
punishable by a maximum fine of \$1000, or
one year in jail, or both.

But the legislature, at the 1897 session,
decided to legalize racetrack betting, some
of the supporters of the movement
being under the impression that the
law would be beneficial to the state, and
that the money accruing from bookmakers' licenses would de-
fray the cost of state fairs, and that the
poolsrooms in the large cities would be
swept out of existence.

Neither result has been accomplished.
Instead of a 6-day racing schedule in St.
Louis, the limit was extended to 150 days,
and the Fair Grounds racetrack was sup-
plemented with the Kinloch and Delmar
tracks.

Within the last year Union track has
been added to the list, while poolsrooms, op-
erated by the use of handbooks, are flour-
ishing.

In the downtown district of St. Louis 150
handbooks are in daily operation.

Seventy-One Needed.

Fifty-Five Pledged.

From all parts of Missouri the demand
for the repeal of the so-called breeders'
law is strong and urgent.

Fifty-five members of the lower house
of representatives have declared their op-
inion that they favor a repeal of the
law. Some express themselves more
strongly than others. Many of the legis-
lators advocate a conservative course, hop-
ing that while wiping out the gambling
feature at race tracks, it will not be nec-
essary to do away with horse racing alto-
gether.

It will require seventy-one votes to ac-
complish the repeal of the law in the lower
house, and a number within sixteen of the
required majority is now pledged.

In the Senate, twelve members are un-
equivocally for repeal and thirteen are un-
decided. No replies have been received from
those to whom telegrams were sent asking if
they favored and would vote for the repeal
of the breeders' law.

Fifty-seven members of the lower house
are still to be heard from.

Judging from information now at hand,
the fight for repeal legislation will be
centered in the State Senate. There the
lobby is most resourceful. And there the
force of Cella, Tilles & Adler, which con-
trols three St. Louis race tracks, had its
representatives actively at work when a
modification of the breeders' law was at-
tempted two years ago.

Voted for Bill.

Favors Repeal.

Among those who voted for the breed-
ers' bill, which Gov. Lon V. Stephens
threatened to veto and then signed, was
T. O. H. Avery of Troy, Mo., at the time
a member of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Avery has just been elected to the
Senate.

In a communication to the Post-Dispatch
he calls attention to the conditions exist-
ing before the breeders' law and the rea-
sons which impelled the enactment of that
law.

"At the time the breeders' bill was
passed," writes Mr. Avery, "in 1897, the
city of St. Louis and the larger cities of
the state were overrun with poolsrooms.
The metropolitan newspapers demanded
legislation which would suppress this great
evil. Laws had been enacted by the two
preceding legislatures looking to the sup-
pression of poolsrooms and the vices attend-
ant thereon, but they had been declared
unconstitutional by the Supreme court.
There had also been organized in the cities,
especially in St. Louis, racing associations
with tracks operated only at night, and
there was loud complaint of the immorality
and general misery that followed in the
train of these tracks.

The opinion of a majority of the mem-
bers of the legislature at that time was
that it would be impossible to prohibit
horse racing and betting entirely. The
breeders' law, which prohibited night rac-
ing and confined betting and bookmaking
to the race track proper and limited the
time of such racing to 90 days in the year
would, it was believed, go far towards
solving the problem. Accordingly many
legislators, like myself, considering the
proposed regulations a big step towards
restricting wholesale gambling, voted for
the breeders' bill.

"The law at first seemed to meet with the
approval of the public, and was declared
constitutional by the Supreme court.

"Personally I am opposed to gambling in
every form and would willingly lend my
influence to its suppression entirely. And
if the evil cannot be wholly suppressed, I
want to confine it to as narrow limits as
possible. I was thus actuated in my origi-
nal support of the bill, but if it has proved
ineffective or its provisions have been taken
advantage of to the detriment of the morals
of any community and the disadvantage of
any considerable number of citizens of the
state I am both ready and willing to use
every power I command as an official and
a private citizen to have it materially
amended or entirely repealed."

Mr. Avery was the champion of the fel-
low-servant legislation at the session of
which the breeders' bill was passed and

HOW MEMBERS OF SENATE AND HOUSE STAND ON REPEAL OF BREEDERS' LAW SENATORS FOR REPEAL

George W. Humphrey, Shelby.
O. H. Avery, Troy.
George R. Curry, Thornfield.
F. M. McDavid, Springfield.
C. C. Dickinson, Clinton.
J. W. Peck, Westboro.
F. Divilbiss, Spring Garden.

REPRESENTATIVES FOR REPEAL

W. R. Crowther, Golden City.
James Roach, Joplin.
J. M. Galbraith, El Dorado Springs.
P. F. Lettermann, Vichy.
John Whitaker, Weaubeau.
W. F. Blair, Hockensridge.
F. E. Kites, Jackson.
W. H. Prewitt, Walkers.
J. T. Muir, Lewis County.
James A. Stewart, Warrenton.
H. R. Self, Springfield.
Edwin Silver, Jefferson City.
George W. Church, Butler.
E. P. Spangler, Kahoka.
Frank H. Sosey, Palmyra.
John A. Woods, Fayette.
E. M. Deering, Potosi.
William Coffey, St. Louis.
H. D. Quigg, Cooper County.
Wallace Grossely, Johnson County.
A. W. Johnson, Salisbury.
Charles E. Ruffus, Perry County.
M. H. Kauffman, Princeton.
G. H. Hackney, Ulrich.
William Hickerbaumer, St. Louis.
O. H. Hickley, St. Louis.
Oliver J. Grace, St. Louis.
Charles Schueidig, St. Louis.
J. E. Miller, St. Louis.

SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES UNDECIDED

E. E. Johnson, Sedalia.
H. J. Simmons, Shelby.
G. A. Burkhardt, California.
Rep Hayes, Unionville.
W. A. Aldrich, Sheridan.
Charles H. Watts, St. Joseph.
Senator T. J. Buchanan, California.
Senator R. H. Brown, Harrisonville.
Senator Hicks, Marshall.
Senator W. B. Keady, St. Louis.
Senator Geo. Riechmann, St. Louis.
Senator John Sartorius, St. Louis.
D. W. Voyles, St. Louis.
W. Godfrey, St. Louis.
G. H. Wilson, St. Louis.
W. C. Marten, St. Louis.
M. F. Keeney, St. Louis.
John O'Donnell, St. Louis.
Eugene Daur, St. Louis.
G. E. Rohley, St. Louis.
Glover Branch, Lafayette County.

made an excellent record in opposition to
lobby influences. The fellow-servant bill,
which provides that railroad companies
shall be responsible for accidents to em-
ployees as the result of the negligence of
fellow workmen, was fought by the railroad
lobby and other corporate interests.

Track Gambling

as Bad as Craps.

G. H. Hackney of Henry County, in an
interview with the Post-Dispatch cor-
respondent at Ulrich, Mo., says:

"I am opposed to gambling in any
form; and cannot perceive any differ-
ence between gambling at the tracks
and craps shooting or poker playing, or
faro. Not being familiar with the breed-
ers' law, however, I would not care to
positively commit myself on that question
at this time."

Representative-elect E. M. Deering of
Washington County says: "I am not
familiar with the breeders' law, but if it
is as represented by the Post-Dispatch,
I am an unconditional repeal."

W. R. Self, representative from the
First district of Greene County:
"I do not wish to say positively just
how I shall vote with reference to the
repeal of the breeders' law. Generally

speaking, I am opposed to gambling,
and I am inclined to favor the repeal of
the breeders' law."

Representative-elect R. D. Silver, St.
Charles County:
"I do not wish to express myself be-
forehand in regard to legislation which
will come up at Jefferson City. Of
course, I might say I was a reformer
and for good government, but I am not
looking for free advertising. I prefer
to wait and see what the other members
say about this law before committing
myself. I have nothing of the good or
evil effects of the breeders' law, and
as the law does not particularly affect
me, I have never taken enough inter-
est to inquire into its merits. All I
know is that bookmakers are al-
lowed to make books on races."

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Fine brilliant cut diamonds in hand-made
mountings of newest styles.

Rings \$2.75 to \$5,000.00
Brooches \$25.00 to \$10,000.00
Cuff Buttons \$12.00 to \$300.00
Scarf Pins \$7.00 to \$1,000.00
Necklaces \$500.00 to \$25,000.00

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Broadway, corner Locust street.
Write for Illustrated Catalogue.

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TALK OF PARKER BEING WITHDRAWN

Frisco Attorney's Chief Supporter
Said to Favor Concentration
in Senatorship Contest.

Representative-elect W. E. Land of
Davies County, whose attitude on the sen-
atorial question has been considered doubt-
ful by some of the politicians, called at
the headquarters of Thomas K. Niedring-
haus in the Laclede Hotel, Saturday.

"My position," said Mr. Land to the
Post-Dispatch, "cannot be made too plain.
I am for Mr. Niedringhaus for United
States senator because I think he best
represents the wishes of my constituents
and the Republicans of the state at large.

"The Republican victory is due in a large
measure to the excellent organization
effected by Mr. Niedringhaus and, besides,
the state chairman measures up to the sen-
atorial standard.

"Who is your second choice?" Mr. Land
was asked.

"Mr. Niedringhaus is my first, second and
last choice," he replied.

L. F. Parker, general attorney of the
Frisco railroad, hopes to secure the support
of representatives from the Sixteenth con-
gressional district, but both the Niedring-
haus and Kerens managers say the chances
are against him.

National Committeeman Atkins, who is
the chief supporter of Parker, is said to
be seriously considering the advisability
of withdrawing the railroad attorney from
the race, provided Mr. Parker will grant
his consent.

Atkins, it is understood, believes that as
matters now stand Kerens has the best
of the senatorial situation and, as he pre-
fers any Republican to the organ-
izational committee, the only way to bring
about the defeat of Kerens is to concen-
trate on one man.

Next to Kerens the politicians concede
that Niedringhaus is the most formidable
candidate. The state chairman has more
legislators-elect pledged to him, they say,
than Warner and Parker combined, and
is not far behind Kerens.

With Parker and Warner out of the
way Niedringhaus stock would be on a par
with that of Kerens, many of the politi-
cians believe.

ALDERMAN PALMER TO RETIRE

Young Chicago Millionaire Says

He Has Got Enough of Mu-

LATEST NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE WORLD OF SPORT

SWIMMING EVENTS
FIRE THE ATHLETES

Several Compelled to Drop Out of Contests at Missouri Athletic Club.

BIG CROWD WATCHES SPORT

Apple Race Attracted Much Interest, Though Water Polo Game Was Fast.

The swimming contingent of the Missouri Athletic Club entertained about 200 club members at the first winter aquatic meet at the club pool, last night.

Five events, including a water polo match, made up the program. All of the events were closely contested and the unusual strain on the endurance of the athletes was apparent before the close of the entertainment. Wynne Evans was forced to retire to the sleeping room from the effect of the first heat of the apple race, and Morrison, who was one of the best swimmers of the club, dropped out of the water polo match after his side had scored the only goal of the game.

Cohn dropped out of the 100-yard handicap at the end of the second length, after a collision with Hanson on the turn. He was partially stunned by the shock and after an attempt to keep on the race came back to the starting line.

The spectators appeared to get the most amusement out of the first event on the program, the apple race. In the first heat, Shwarz, Evans and Toepfen finished in the order named after an exciting contest. Hanson won the second heat from Sills and Myers. The final heat was handicapped on the line of the preliminaries and Toepfen won from scratch in 2:27. Myers was second and Sills third.

Cohn paddled through the final heat of the 100-yard novice, winning in 27 seconds from Sigel and Stein, who finished first and second respectively in the first preliminary heat.

The 50-yard hurdle finished in the order of the handicapping. Toepfen, with 12 seconds, was first; Goessling, with five seconds, was second; and Gretheim, seventh man, was third. This race was a novelty to the crowd and was loudly cheered to the finish.

Cohn and Hanson came together in a bad collision at the end of the second length in the 100-yard handicap when it resumed a previous finish. The race was then half over and Shwarz had picked up about half of the penalty against him when his two rivals smashed into each other under the judges' seats. Cohn retired from the race and while Hanson finished, he was hopelessly beaten by the delay in the race.

The water polo game was about as fast and furious as any ever played at the club. The Reds won from the Whites by a score of 1-0. Summary:

Apple race—First heat: Shwarz, first, 1:15; Evans, second, 2:14; Toepfen, third, 2:22. Second heat: Hanson, first, 2:20; Sills, second, 2:26; Myers, third, 2:42. Final heat: Hanson, first, 2:27; Myers, second, 2:30; Sills, third, 2:42. 100-yard novice—First heat: Sigel, first, 1:26; Stein, second, 1:30; Cohn, third, 1:35. Second heat: Cohn, first, 2:45; Gretheim, second, 2:50; Sigel, third, 3:00. 50-yard hurdle—Toepfen, 12 seconds, first; Goessling, second, 5 seconds; Gretheim, seventh, 17 seconds. 100-yard handicap—Handicap—Shwarz, first, 1:15; Hanson, second, 2:00; Cohn, third, 2:15.

Los Angeles Entries.

For December 18, Dec. 17—Entries at Astor.

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Featherweight Championship Will Hang in Balance When Great Californian
And Fighting Dane Face Each Other in Frisco's Big Arena Tuesday Night

Nelson in the Ring

BRITT FIGURES TO
HAVE SLIGHT EDGE
ON BATTLING NELSON

Both Have Shown That They Can Take and Give Hard Punch, but
Britt's Cleverness and Great Defense Should Give Him
Advantage.

With the Britt-Nelson battle only two days off, lovers of fighting are preparing to enjoy the greatest ring contest of the year. In reach, strength, stamina, youth, endurance and gameness these boys appear to be evenly matched. To name the winner in advance is a most difficult task, although it should not be considered altogether impossible to find which one goes into battle with some advantage on his side.

But at the outset we should not fall into the error of figuring out the odds by comparing the showing Britt and Nelson made against Young Corbett. True, Britt barely gained the decision over the Denver boy in 20 rounds, while Nelson battered Corbett into helplessness in less than half that time—but the Corbett who fought Britt and the Corbett who fought Nelson were altogether different in strength and staying power. The thing is worth considering in detail by anyone who intends to take a financial interest in the Britt-Nelson fight.

When Young Corbett fought Britt a year ago he had not injured his constitution to anything like the extent he had during the following months. He had fought several good men during the preceding season and he was really in good condition when he faced Britt in the ring. Moreover, the weight suited him and he was not compelled to go through any exhausting process before he weighed in. After the battle, which he seemed to think he had won, the decision against him sent him flying along a protracted course of dissipation, and he was up late at night, ate and drank

a great deal more than was good for him and did other harmful things in his efforts to forget the surprising defeat.

Young Corbett, in the meantime, fought nobody, because he was depending upon Jimmy Britt's promise to give him a return battle. When, with one excuse and another, Britt kept putting this match off, the Denver boy, in despair, took on Battling Nelson. He was now badly handicapped by a year of so-called high living and the burden of fat that came from it. He tried to get down to 120 pounds in such a hurry that he ran off 18 pounds in two weeks—a frightful ordeal, especially so for a little man. Besides he weakened himself by a long course of vapor baths to melt off the superfluous flesh. He took the last of these baths, it is said, just before the fight. At best, then, he was far from being in good condition when he went to scale.

Corbett Used
Poor Judgment.

But if Corbett had been deliberately trying to cripple himself he could not have done worse than what followed. He deliberately ate a big dinner, hoping to put on three or four pounds of weight. If he had taken calves-foot jelly and toast and a couple of pounds without discomfort, but instead of following this safe and sane course, he fled himself with a big meal of meat, and as a result, went into the fight with his stomach full of undigested food. How in the world a pro-

JAMES E. BRITT AND HIS SECOND
"SPIDER" KELLY

fessional pugilist, who ought to have at least some elementary knowledge about the laws of health, could do such an idiotic thing passes all comprehension.

Of course, he got beaten. The only wonder is that he was not killed. Enough has been related here to show that the Corbett whom Nelson battered down was far inferior to the Corbett whom Britt defeated on points. On what, then, should one depend in trying to guess the outcome of the Britt-Nelson fight? Undoubtedly on the styles of the men. That is in itself a good defense. So are his wonderful speed in hitting and his fast work on the hitting machine. Deliver a smash from a free, open position, head up and shoulders down, and then try to deliver as hard a blow from the Jimmy Corbett crouching position. Try as hard and often as you like, and you'll find that the crouch ties up your hitting muscles and robs your punch of a great deal of its force. This is especially true of long-range hitting.

Nevertheless, Britt's friends declare he can hit as hard as any man of his weight. They point to the fact that he smothered Martin Canale as proof of the excellence of his punching power. It is also a fact that he knocked out Ernie with a series of

uppercuts to the belly. Ernie said that he never received such severe punishment from any one else.

Nelson is not a beautiful boxer like Britt, but he is a fast, slashing hitter and he goes into the battle loose and free, not hampered by any crouch. Two of his long-range punches will do apparently as much harm as three of Britt's at equally long range. Moreover, the Dane can take a lot of punishment and come back for more. Indeed, he seems to regard it as a matter of course that he must be battered and banged all over the ring before he can hope to win. In the matter of punches, he seems to be like Ernie with the snake—"He eats 'em alive."

But taking punishment is not enough to deliver enough blows to put his antagonist out. Right there, according to this writer's belief, Battling Nelson will strike a snafu. He is a fine, dashing fellow, who comes prancing in like Tom Sharkey, whaling away with both hands. He is always willing to give a punch and take a punch. But Britt won't take a punch if he can help it, and he usually can help it. Young Corbett found it almost impossible to hit him, and when Jimmy defeated Martin Canale he blocked or slipped three-quarters of the Yankee boy's blows. Battling Nelson has not yet proved that he is a quicker, more accurate hitter than these two.

To sum up, then, it appears that while Britt and Nelson are practically equal in all things but skill, while in his "hippos" factor Britt has a long lead. This must not be understood as a prediction that Britt is bound to win. Any one of a thousand accidents may upset all calculations made at this distance. The only safe thing to say at this distance is that Britt appears to have a decided advantage in the coming fight.

BY JAMES J. JEFFRIES.

The Britt-Nelson battle should be the greatest fight between "little men" in the history of any division. On class, we have to give Britt the edge. He has shown so far in comparing the two men the best fighting qualities. Nelson beat Hanlon and Corbett when both men were all in. Britt has beaten the best of them at their best and while he may go down before the rushes of the Dane, he is on paper the class of the show.

Turf War Clouds
SEEM TO BLACKEN

Action of Edward Corrigan in the East Cause of Speculation Among Horsemen.

Edward Corrigan is said to have little or no chance of effecting an alliance with the Eastern Jockey Club. Every indication points to a turf war in the west.

Corrigan said a week ago that he intended to invest \$100,000 in the new track at New Orleans. This meant a date for the new club or a fight to a finish between the master of Howthorn and the present controlling body of the Western circuit, it is anticipated.

Corrigan went east to figure out what position August Belmont and his friends will take in case of trouble in the west according to opinions of local horsemen. Belmont has always maintained a neutral stand as far as western turf wars were concerned and he can be depended upon to assume a similar stand in case of trouble next spring.

Corrigan is thought to be probably the last man the Eastern Jockey Club would care to take up with. He ran a horse in the Futurity some years ago in defiance of the Coney Island Jockey Club and never started another horse in the since.

The Jockey club of New York informed the Western Jockey Club some years ago that it would pay no attention to the out-law race. Suspensions for fraud have always been respected by the Eastern Jockey Club, but the disqualification of man or horse for simply taking part in one of the so-called unlicensed meetings has never been countenanced by the Eastern Jockey Club.

LOTUS TELLS OF
COMISKEY'S RISE

President of White Sox Has Had Great Career From Foot of Diamond Ladder.

Tom Loftus, the well known big league manager, recalls the following:
"Dubuque, Io., is a town I never knew much about before I went into baseball. I heard about it in a very impressive way, however, in the fall of 1881.

"I was in New York with the late Congressman John J. O'Neill of St. Louis when I received a telegram at the Astor House saying:

"'Brown is beaten by Dubuque.'"
"I was there in the interest of the American Association, which had just been organized. I was picking out players for the first St. Louis B. was to enter a big league the following spring.

"I went straight back home to find out about that Dubuque team. If we had been beaten by the Chicago Whites or the Cincinnati Reds it would have surprised me so much, but to be beaten by a team from Dubuque, Io., was something for immediate investigation. The result of that investigation was that I signed the manager of the team, Ted Sullivan; the captain, Tom Loftus, and a young pitcher named Charlie Comiskey. They started out with us in 1882.

"Comiskey was put in the box in an exhibition game before the season opened. His arm was no good. Sullivan had no first baseman, and I was decided to try Pitcher Comiskey there. Everybody knows the rest. He became a cracklerjack, succeeded to the captaincy and management of the team and was transferred from the box to the field.

"But as a pitcher he didn't deliver the goods. 'Tip' O'Neill was another 'wing man' I signed as a pitcher and who also played a fine game in the field. He showed that he was such a good batter that I decided to keep him anyhow.

"The next season he was on the left field fence at old Sportsman's Park, bearing the inscription, 'Hit me for \$1. O'Neill was the only man who ever earned the V. When I bounced Carroll, the fellow who caught the ball, I pocketed it. I decided to put O'Neill in the field. Comiskey kicked saying he wouldn't do it. I reminded Comiskey that they said that about him when he was transferred from the box to the field. Then Comiskey agreed.

"O'Neill proved to be the greatest batter on the famous team. He made many home runs and long hits that counted. The nickname of the team was 'the tip bats' because he merely seemed to 'tip' the ball when batting. He stood at the plate as straight as an arrow, and in a moment it seemed that he would shoot like lightning and the ball would shoot like lightning. He seldom drew back and made a swipe at the ball."

SAYS LAJOIE IS
NOT AGGRESSIVE

Cleveland Stars Follow Example of Great Tarry and Constantly Disobey Orders.

Elmer Bates, the baseball critic of the Cleveland Press, has found a big flaw in the make-up of the much-touted Lajoie. In discussing the resignation of W. R. Armour as manager of the Cleveland Blues and the cause therefor, Mr. Bates says: "The cause which lies directly back of the resignation of Manager Armour is the refusal of the Cleveland team to play the kind of ball he wants it to play. Capt. Lajoie is not what is known in baseball as a 'fighter.' While he has on occasions lost his temper on the field and gotten himself into trouble by violent outbursts, he is not ordinarily an aggressive player. With the game running smoothly, and Cleveland a little in the lead or a little behind, Lajoie is content with what might be termed a quiet and dignified style of play, with just enough coaching to keep the base runners posted."

"And what is said of Lajoie in this respect applies equally well to the rest of the team, with the exceptions of Buslow, Stovall and possibly Pick. These three have a habit of keeping up some sort of action all the time—coaching, shouting encouragement to the pitcher, a little kidding of the opposing players—anything to inject a little ginger into the game and keep things moving."

"It is this kind of a game that Armour has wanted all the time to play. He has asked them to do it, if not for the sake of themselves, then for the sake of the spectators, who pay to see live baseball, and of the club owners, who are dependent on the spectators."

"But most of the players have stood firm with the assertion that quiet baseball was just as good to win games as any other kind."

"There has been many differences of opinion between Armour and Lajoie. While they have been friendly enough off the ball field, and while each has appreciated the ability of the other, they have failed to agree upon the way the team should be run."

"There has been no open revolt by Lajoie to any instructions of Armour; there has simply been a continual friction that has seemingly resulted in that absence of life and team work upon which everybody who has seen the Cleveland club play ball has commented."

"The inevitable result has come. Armour having found that he cannot get good work out of the Cleveland club, has decided that he would better cast his lot elsewhere, and let Somers and Kilford find some one else to take up his burden."

"The comment oftenest made upon Manager Armour by Cleveland fans has been that while he was able to pick out good players, he did not seem to be able to get good work out of them after he had them. Armour's reply to these comments, when they have come to his ears, has been that while a manager can get players, he cannot do the playing for them."

"When they are out in the field or at the bat, and he is on the bench, it is up to them. The most the manager can do is to give instructions. Whether they are followed, and how capably they are followed, depends on the players. Just how earnestly the Cleveland players have tried to carry out Armour's orders is known only to them and to him. His resignation, however, shows Armour's opinion of the matter."

SOCKER TEAMS TO
DECIDE TWO TIES

Leaders in Both St. Louis Leagues Will Contest Today for the Supremacy.

At Kulage Park the Association Football League of St. Louis will put on the usual double-header this afternoon. The St. Louis Blues and the St. Louis Cardinals will play the first game, and the Blues will meet the Athletics in the closing contest.

Two good games are in prospect, as the Blues and the Cardinals are the best first place. The game today will decide the make-up of the all-star team, which will play the Hyde Park of Chicago in the inter-city games Christmas and the day following.

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LATEST NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE WORLD OF SPORT

POOR RIDE LOST FOR SPENCERIAN

Luralighter Took New Orleans Handicap in Easy Manner From Field of Six.

FAVORITE KEPT IN THE MUD

Judge Himes Scratched Owing to Death of Owner's Brother—St. Louis Jockey Falls.

BY RICHARD D. WALSH.
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 17.—Spencerian was beaten. She could not do the impossible and that accounts for it. Not that she was handicapped out, or that the conditions were unfavorable, but she got one of the most incompetent riders I ever saw, which would have defeated an animal of much higher pretensions than the daughter of Freighting.

The race was the Crescent City Handicap, at a mile and a quarter, which had a gross value of \$145, and six thoroughbreds. The only absentee was Judge Himes, and he was scratched because his owner's brother, Albert Ellison, was being buried at Chicago yesterday.

Luralighter, owned by J. F. Davis and Co., was a comparatively easy winner. Garnish assayed to make a runaway race of it, but he tired in the final furlongs, and the daughter of Freighting, running strong and true, won handsly.

Aladdin, who had a lot of bad luck, came in strong at the finish and beat out Spencerian for third place.
But the Bertram mare was much the best. If she had been meant to lose, the ride was a good one. Shaver had the mount, and he has ridden her in many of her important contests and is given the credit of thoroughly understanding her way. The track was heavy, with a sort of a path towards the outer rail. Instead of keeping his mount in the good going and saving her for the final quarter mile struggle, Shaver elected to take the heavy going all the way with the inevitable result.

Rider Beat Spencerian.

In my judgment Spencerian would have won with an intelligent ride. But I am not unmindful of the fact that Spencerian has had too much of the racing game this year, and that she is beginning to train off. Spencerian was giving away weight to everything in the race, and although she was beaten, she was by no means disgraced.

Telescope, who has seemed almost invincible at six furlongs here, had a very close call in the opening race. He won by the slender margin of a nose, and his victory was entirely due to the powerful finish of his rider, Jack Martin.

At the rise of the barrier Van Ness rushed to the front and secured the good going. He kept the lead until well into the stretch, where Telescope moved up and the two fought it out. The wire in a terrific struggle. Van Ness had plenty of speed, but Fisher did not help him much, and when the final struggle came in the last hundred yards the accomplished jockey won over the amateur.

Our own favorite, the second year colt with his colt Matador, but it was by a scant neck. It was another case of jockey-kill. Nicol rode Romanelli and that told the tale.

Street's horse was a pronounced favorite. The latter was the favorite, but Street's horse has speed and is game.

Gift Horse Wins Race.

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SUGDEN LEADS LIST OF CATCHERS IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE

In Fielding Averages St. Louis Is in Third Place and Chicago First—Jones, Next to La Chance of Boston, Among First Basemen.

Official averages of American League clubs just issued show St. Louis players well to the top of the list in three of the nine positions. Joe Sugden tops the receivers with an average of .366 for 73 games. Criger is three points behind him. Bobby Wallace is the virtual leader of the shortstops, his mark being .355 for 129 games. Conroy of the Highlanders shows .348, but he played in but 24 games. Tom Jones, the Browns' first-sacker, is a close second to La Chance of the Browns, having an average of .388, while the Frenchman is three points ahead. "Wee Willie" Sudhoff ranks fourth among the fielding lingers.

St. Louis, Boston and New York are tied for second place in fielding at .361. The Chicago White Sox lead the list only four points better. The equality with which the clubs battled is shown by the fact that only five points separate the first five clubs, while Washington is but 11 points behind Chicago.

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BARRETT AND DOLAN TO "PEN" IN NINE DAYS

With Convicted Patrolman Politicians Are Ordered to Surrender Themselves to United States Marshal and Begin Terms.

EACH IS SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IN PRISON

Mandate From Circuit Court of Appeals Orders Incarceration, and Appeal to Supreme Court Is Not Expected to Stay Execution.

United States Marshal Morsey is awaiting the surrender of Thomas E. Barrett, John P. Dolan and Frank Garrett, convicted of naturalization frauds, in accordance with the mandate of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, issued yesterday.

The marshal will wait ten days from yesterday, or until Dec. 27, for the men to surrender themselves. If they do not present themselves at his office by that time it will be his duty to arrest them and take them to the penitentiary at Jefferson City.

The issuance of the mandate followed the refusal of the Court of Appeals a few days ago to grant a rehearing of the cases. Each was sentenced in the United States district court in St. Louis to pay a fine of \$1000 and to serve a term of five years in the Missouri penitentiary.

The cases were appealed to the Court of Appeals. In an opinion handed down in St. Paul, Oct. 37, the sentence of the lower court was affirmed. A motion for rehearing was filed, but was overruled.

Barrett was formerly marshal of the St. Louis Court of Appeals. Dolan was chairman of the Democratic city central committee and Garrett was a police officer, walking a beat in Dolan's ward, the Twenty-fourth. Barrett was convicted of preparing fraudulent naturalization papers, which Dolan and Garrett were convicted of distributing.

Chester H. Krum, attorney for the three men, stated immediately after the mandate was issued that he would file habeas corpus proceedings before the United States Supreme Court.

This, federal officials say, will not prevent the men from being taken to the penitentiary. The marshal will probably take them to Jefferson City soon after they are in his custody. It is anticipated that they will wait until the ten days of grace have expired before they surrender themselves.

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The fashion is growing constantly to mail one's calling cards to friends at New Year's.

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The Task One Co-Ed Plans for Herself.

Reform the Chicago police force. Revolutionize the methods of Chicago municipal government. Draft a new charter for Chicago.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A new co-ed at the University of Chicago has mapped out a strenuous program of reform which will mark her advent into the city. Miss Willis Curtis is her name, and she is fresh from an exclusive finishing school of Beacon Hill in Boston, with her head full of notions which she is aching to turn loose on the long suffering citizens of Chicago.

She is going to assist the "powers that make for good" in the uplifting of the city. She is going to frame up a new charter for the city's government; she is going to reverse the present city hall methods and move the foundation of western society several inches to the east, but most of all, she is going to reform the police force.

Dress reform, reform of manners, reform of speech, reform of morals—it is all there in her busy brain, and as soon as she can get it straightened out she will turn it loose from the Midway institution and let it spread north and west.

Her first step was to organize a debating team which will wage merry war on the poor policemen and air her views on the matter of municipal cleanliness. This department of her work really goes into action tonight, when Miss Curtis and Warren Foster will appear before an audience of university students and show cause why Chicago's government should be changed.

Miss Curtis is also great in the political economy and has pronounced ideas about the new charter, but she never wanders far from the police force, the piece de resistance of her reform movement.

The chief of police should be elected by the people, and I propose to help bring this reform about," she said. "I have heard among other things, these policemen cheating in examinations, and it ought to be stopped.

"And the new charter. Wouldn't it be lovely if we could have a hand in making Chicago's new dress, and take the responsibility from poor Mayor Harrison?"

Miss Curtis is the first woman at the University of Chicago to gain a place on the freshman debating team.

MORMONS' POWER IS DOOMED

Settlement of Indian Lands in Utah Will Be Blow to Church.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 17.—Opening of the Utah reservation in Utah March 10 of next year may have a far greater significance to the country at large than the mere settlement of 2,000,000 acres of land.

The prospects are that within a few years following the settlement, the Gentile vote of Utah will be large enough to swamp the Mormons, and so put an end forever to the rule of that church in Utah's government.

There are now but 200,000 persons, Mormons and Gentiles, in the entire state, and the Mormons have but a small majority of the vote.

J. M. Pine, a well-known land agent, with headquarters in Denver, has just returned from an exhaustive survey of the Utah reservation, and he gives it as his opinion that within five years there will be 1,000 Gentile voters settled on the reservation.

RAISULI WOULD BE GOVERNOR

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. CONSTANTINOPLE, 1904, by the Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, Dec. 17.—Raisuli, the Algerian bandit, who captured Ferdinand, is getting impressed with his own importance.

Realizing the influence Raisuli exercised in the district between Tangiers and Alcazar, the Sultan wrote to him asking him to further maintain harmony with the rebel tribes. Raisuli replied that, before complying with the demands, he must be appointed governor of the district.

The Sultan's authority is disregarded, covering Tangiers, Alcazar and Alcazar.

HER CUSTOMERS BUY WAR CRY FOR PRISONERS.



CAPTAIN CORA LYNCH

Capt. Cora Lynch of the Salvation Army has set herself the Herculean task of selling 8888 Christmas numbers of the War Cry in order that St. Louis may lead the sales record. Her work begins Monday. Capt. Lynch disposed of 2500 copies last year, which was then considered a remarkable number. Since then her weekly sales have been such that the ambition of War Cry sellers all over the country has been aroused, and they gauge their sales by those made in St. Louis.

Capt. Lynch is a St. Louis young woman, having lived here until she entered the Army five years ago. She has been on duty here several times since she became an officer.

She attributes her success to the kindness of her friends.

Numbers of Capt. Lynch's friends have ordered War Cries in large lots. They will pay for these copies and in cases where they do not wish to distribute them they will be taken charge of by Capt. Lynch, who will present them to the inmates of hospitals and jails, the penitentiary at Jefferson City and the state reformatory at Booneville.

"MOGY KING OF NEWSBOYS"

Special to the Post-Dispatch. DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 17.—"Mogy," King of the Newsboys, is in town getting acquainted with the newsboys, after which he will return to Omaha. "Mogy" is a philanthropist, magazine owner, proprietor of six restaurants and as many shoe-shining establishments, founder of a home for friendless newsboys and the owner of a messenger service.

I would rather be known as "Mogy," the newsboy's friend, than Mr. Burnside, the millionaire, as some seem to prefer calling me," said he. The declaration is characteristic of the man whose life has been spent in acts of charity.

"Make the newsboy your friend and you can trust him with anything," said "Mogy." "Just because the little fellow doesn't happen to pay at a specified time for his few papers he buys of you to sell is no reason why you should light on him with both feet. Just remember that this or that street urchin may have had a bit of hard luck; maybe he has gotten into bad company; maybe he has got the right kind of confidence in him."

"Just remember that the ragged street urchin is human and his environment may not have been the same as your own. You must make allowances when you are dealing with boys."

Wonderfully pleasing. Allie pleasing and astonishing are the cut prices on official Exposition view books and novelties at the after-Exposition sale, 312 Broadway.

Phonograph for Pope. ROME, Dec. 17.—The phonograph records taken last summer in St. Peter's on the occasion of the Centenary of St. Gregory the Great, by special permission of the Pope, and which include all the Gregorian compositions executed at the time by the papal choir, under the leadership of Maestro, were yesterday presented to His Holiness by the representatives of the company which had charge of the matter.

AT 22, A WOMAN REMOVED FROM BIRTH LEARNS TO SEE

Remarkable Experiment, Following Extraordinary Operation, Is Being Made at the University of Iowa, and Its Success Is Assured.

BINOULAR VISION MAY BE ACQUIRED BY ADULTS

Slowly, She Learns to Distinguish Forms With the Aid of Stereoscopic and Opera Glass—Removal of Cataracts Restored Her Sight

Special to the Post-Dispatch. IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 17.—A woman, blind from birth, and who acquired her sight through an operation when she was 22 years of age, is being treated in the psychological laboratory at the state university.

Those who have been studying her case believe that they have succeeded for the first time in teaching binoocular vision to an adult. The current opinion of the medical profession is that the ability to see an object as single while using both eyes must be attained early in life or not at all.

From the time of the Cheselden case in 1733, when the operation for cataract came into use, only six other instances are recorded in which persons born with complete cataracts in both eyes received their sight after reaching maturity. The present case is the first to be studied in a psychological laboratory in this country. The operation, known as needling of the lens, was performed by Dr. Lee Wallace Dean, professor of ophthalmology, at the state university of Iowa, and surgeon for the state school for the blind.

The name of the patient will be withheld until the experiments are completed.

The training by which the young woman was taught binoocular vision was conducted by Dr. James Burt Mhor, instructor in philosophy, who has been making the psychological examination. Although she at first used only one eye to see with, just as all cross-eyed persons do, she has now learned to see with both eyes. The two pictures of the stereoscopic view are combined by her into one picture seen in relief, the same as they are by a person with normal sight. These observations have been carefully tested and are corroborated by Dr. Carl W. Seasholtz, professor of psychology at the university.

How Persons Learn to See.

The investigation touches the interesting question propounded 200 years ago by Molyneux as to whether a person born blind and acquiring vision in adult life could distinguish a cube from a sphere without touching them. Except for her touch and hearing experience, gained at the school for the blind, the young woman was in the same position as a baby so far as understanding what she saw. The experiments give much valuable and curious information as to the way persons learn to see.

Experience with the opera glass and telescope is especially unique to her. With the opera glass reversed she had great difficulty in understanding how the little persons she saw could be human at all. The morning after she looked through the telescope she was astonished to find that other persons could see the points of the stars. She seemed quite worried because she had been unable to see the points, which her previous touch experience had indicated were to be found on the stars.

Drawings Meant Nothing to Her.

A month ago drawing meant practically nothing to her. She had no idea of perspective from the lines. An outline picture of a box did not even suggest the object. Now she is not only able to see the box in perspective, but she can reverse the figure just as those with normal vision do. Faces are still a puzzle to her. She thinks she recognizes only four persons by the features when she sees them.

In respect to color vision, somewhat to the surprise of the investigators, the 22 years of disuse has apparently caused no degeneration. She can discriminate colors as well as other persons and can even see tints so near white that the average person probably would not see any color. Tests have also been made upon her hearing and touch to see whether they have been increased in power through the disuse of sight.

In the report of the case recently made by Dr. Minor at a Chicago meeting of the American Psychological Association he described her reversal of the ordinary condition by which black and white objects of the same size appear different. With her it is the black object, instead of the white, that appears larger. There is some indication, however, that she at times gets this illusion normally.

The investigation is still going on. A preliminary report will be published in the January volume of the psychological studies to be issued from the state university laboratories.

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WOULD WED TO WIN A HAT

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 17.—To win a new hat Gus Meyers, a cigar dealer of this place, 50 years old, has advertised for a wife.

Meyers draws the line at cross-eyed women and demands that the woman he marries must appear within two weeks. If she doesn't he will lose the hat. The applicant for a kind and loving husband promises Meyers makes—must be able-bodied and between 30 and 40 years of age.

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YOUNGEST SOLDIER WHO WORE BLUE

He Was an Indian and Enlisted as Drummer When Scarcelly 12.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 17.—It was just discovered today at the office of Adjutant-General Ward that the youngest drummer who served in the civil war was an Indiana boy.

This discovery was made through a postal card that came to the adjutant-general's office. It was from Edward Duffy, 106 Finishing street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Duffy wrote for a duplicate of his discharge.

"I believe I was the youngest drummer boy in the army," he said. "I am now going on 34 years of age. I want a copy of my discharge from the Thirty-third Indiana Volunteer Infantry."

When the records of the famous Thirty-third, which was commanded by Gen. John Coburn, was looked up, it was found that Duffy's record was indeed a proud one. His little hands beat the advance on Cumberbund Gap, the first fight the Thirty-third engaged in. Then he made "the music of the drum" in every march and skirmish and general engagement and was rattling away for the marching boys in blue when the famous Indiana regiment "marched with Sherman to the sea."

Duffy was born in Indianapolis and joined the Thirty-third in Indianapolis on June 1, 1863. Lieut. J. T. Mays being the mustering officer. He was mustered out in Indianapolis, July 3, 1865. Duffy's record and discharge duplicate have been sent to him.

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Irritable Father: Oh, she said that, did she? Well, I'll show that impudent young thing who doesn't think she is talking about you. You can have her, sir, any day you please.—London Tid-Bits.

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Extraordinary Building Era Prevails in State Which Offers So Many Seaports.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 17.—Mississippi is rejoicing in an extraordinary era of railroad building. No other state in the Union is prospering as she is in this respect.

Slowly the great railroad combinations reaching into the South are finding a foothold there, erecting from their northern connections through that section of the state to reach deep seaports.

The Gulf & Ship Island road, extending from Gulfport, in the south, to Jackson, Miss., where it makes connection with the Illinois Central lines, is probably the most important of the smaller lines which have been built within the past few years. This road, without its two branches, is about 100 miles in length, but so well located as to form an almost direct line south for the Illinois Central road.

It has frequently been reported that the Gulf road was to be gobbled up by some of the larger systems seeking gulf ports, but these rumors have been insistently denied by those in authority.

The officials of that road say their property is not for sale. They say they are in a position to carry on their business in connection with the other systems of railway at a great profit to themselves, and so long as this condition of affairs prevails they do not intend to give up their good thing.

Again, however, comes the report of a new deal for the Gulf & Ship Island. This time it is said the Gould system is after the line, and that they will also acquire a connecting link the St. Louis, Pascagoula & Panama line, to complete their connection from Natchez, Miss., where the Gould lines touch, to Gulfport, in the south.

The St. Louis, Pascagoula & Panama is reported to have recently borrowed funds for the extension of that line from Silver Creek, where it connects with the Gulf & Ship Island, to Natchez. It is believed the money came from the Gould system, and that they, therefore, intend to complete the connection at once and secure the Gulf & Ship Island.

Another Mississippi railroad which is likely to figure largely in railroad operations in that state in a short time is the Mobile, Jackson & Kansas City, which is now completing its line through from Mobile to Middleton, a point on the Southern railway, in the extreme northern part of the state. It is said this line will be running the full extent of the line shortly after the first of the year.

GOEBEL'S BROTHER TO RENEW FIGHT

Despite Supreme Court's Ruling in Powers Case, He Is Not Discouraged.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. SPRINGFIELD, Ky., Dec. 17.—Instead of being discouraged as a result of the third reversal by the Court of Appeals of the judgment of the Scott Circuit Court in the case of Caleb Powers, three times convicted of complicity in the Goebel murder conspiracy, Arthur Goebel, the brother of the murdered governor, will go into the prosecution for another trial with renewed energy.

He has written to friends here that he will never cease his efforts to secure the conviction of the guilty parties and will lend all the aid within his power to the side of the commonwealth.

The death some months ago of Col. T. C. Campbell of Monte Carlo, of the side of the state in the trials of all the alleged conspirators, removed a strong hand from the prosecution, which will have to be supplied before another trial of the lower court is entered into. Mr. Goebel will shortly confer with Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin and other friends regarding the selection of some one to take Mr. Campbell's place as assistant to the officer of the state in the prosecution.

It is understood here that the attorneys for Powers are seriously considering taking the case to the Supreme court at Washington on the alleged federal question before going into another trial in the court below. If this is done the case will not be called in the Scott Circuit Court for a year at least.

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Calve Fell Downstairs.

VIENNA, Dec. 17.—The farewell concert of Emma Calve, which was to be given last week at the Conservatoire, and in expectation of which a large audience had gathered at the place, was suddenly called off on account of an accident to the great actress. In descending the marble staircase of her hotel to the concert place, Calve slipped and fell, rolling for quite a distance down the stairs. When bystanders went to her rescue, she was unconscious and the doctors had to work for several hours over her before she recovered her senses. It is said that she is only slightly injured.

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JOE LEITER ACHING FOR GOOD FIGHT

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—"It's a great life as a Ziegler," asserts Joe Leiter. The young millionaire and mining magnate spent a few hours in Chicago today and talked freely concerning conditions in the Illinois coal country.

"I carry a couple of good, trusty revolvers in my hip pockets down there," he went on, "and I mean any day that I'm not a

"The strikers never molest me, though, for they know I am not afraid of them and that I would shoot to kill the moment any of them made a move toward his hip pocket. I'm going to run my mines and

"Every foot of ground within the stockade which surrounds the property is traversed hourly by the guards, and trespassing would simply be suicidal."

**Two Kentucky Tobacco Growers
Oblige a "Con"
Man.**

Special to The Post-Dispatch.
HODGENVILLE, Ky., Dec. 11.—"Dear Uncle Tom: Please induce the cashed check for \$15, and oblige your loving nephew, T. E. Stark, with a note received from Mr. T. E. Stark, cashier of the Farmers' National Bank, of this place, yesterday.

The bearer of the message was Milburn Bailey, a prominent tobacco grower of Greenup county, who had just returned from this amount and a confidence man claiming to be a nephew of Mr. Stark, at the corner of Seventh and Market streets, Louisville. Mr. Bailey had been to Louisville to get a check cashed and had secured several hundred dollars on his person. He was making his way toward the city, when he was accosted by a stranger who accosted him, and alleging that he was a nephew of Mr. Stark, asked for the loan of \$15, giving a check on the bank at this place.

The stranger promised to send a check by the following morning, and, not suspecting gave him the money. He came on to Hodgenville and asked if the check had arrived, but found he found the following letter, addressed to Mr. Stark:

"Dear Mr. Stark:—I am sorry that our friend raises a larger crop of tobacco next year.

Simultaneously with the loss of Mr. Bailey's money, John Quisenberry, another well-known Green County farmer, was "relieved" of \$50 in a similar manner on Main

street, between Sixth and Seventh. Both men are near neighbors and came out on the train together, but neither mentioned his loss to the other until they had arrived here and found that it was "a dead sure cinch, they had got it bad."

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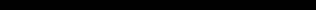
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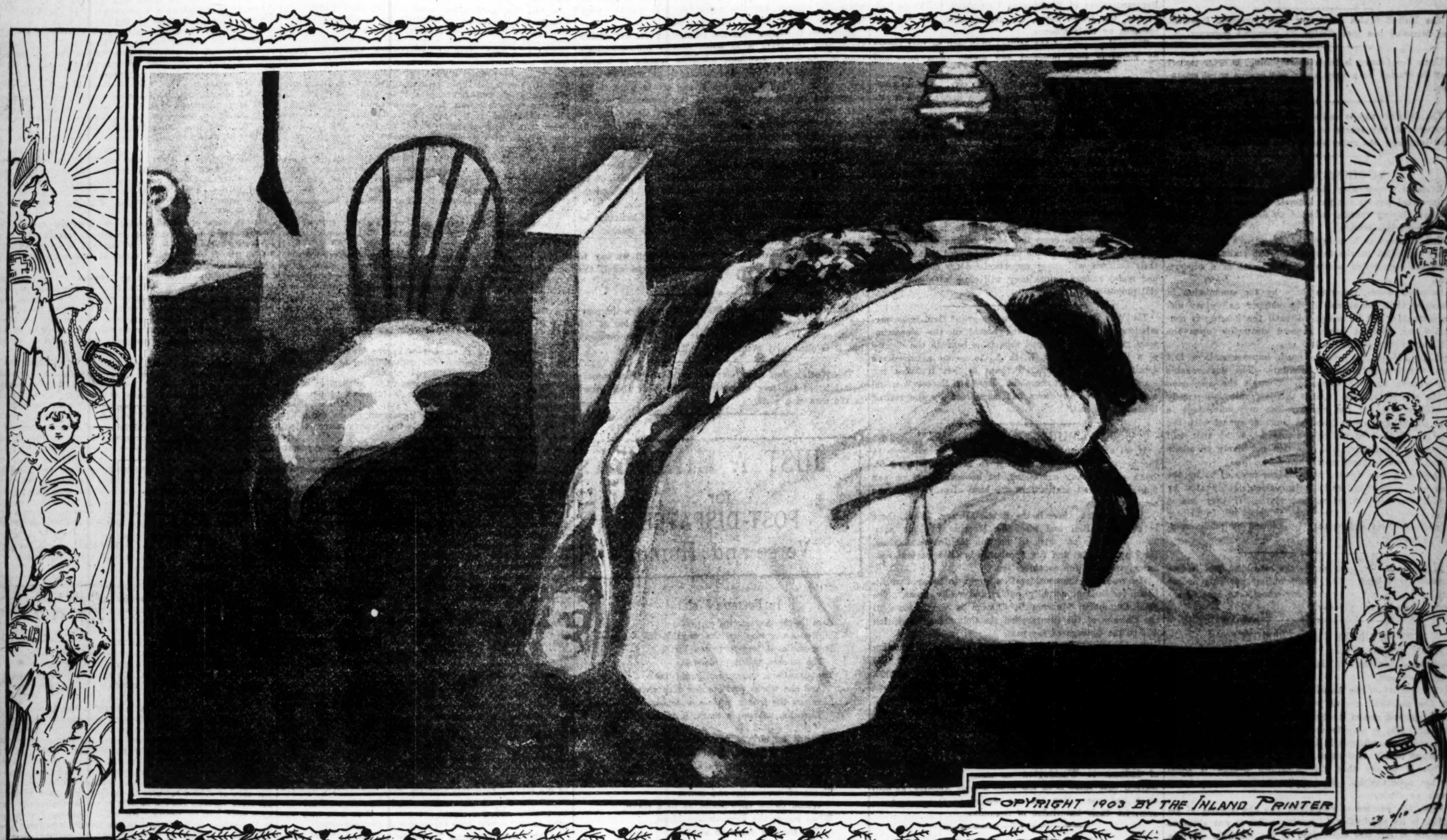
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YOU who remember your childhood have in store the recollection of Christmas eves or Christmas mornings when every hope was realized in the attainment of things desired or things more beautiful than your hearts had been set upon. If here and there among those who read this are men and women

who have awakened to find no gift awaiting them they will know the deep, bitter sorrow of the little child who clasps an empty stocking and sobs in the abandon of her first great disappointment.

The joy of children who have been lovingly remembered by those who have them in care is not lost in the hour or the day. It spreads benignly over years, softening and sweetening character. Neglect at such a season is so terrible that even when long time has passed and the wounded heart is healed there remains a scar, such a one as is left by acts of wanton cruelty—unconscious cruelty—of which parents are often guilty.

It is no answer to the child deprived of gifts on Christmas that the family purse is lean. It may not even be contended that the head of the home lacks the money to buy food. Someone, somewhere, has robbed that little one by withholding that which other children have. If the father cannot give his duty passes to us, and if we do not give the crime of wounding the child rests on us.

The price of prosperity is charity to the poor and especially that charity which aids new souls to grow beautiful. Disappointment has its profit, making minds strong as contest strengthens the muscles; but it should be measured to the

She leans her head upon her arms
And weeps as though her heart would break.
Her soul is filled with strange alarms,
That might a stronger spirit shake.
With pain that hardly can be borne
Her trusting little heart is torn,
So great her childish grief, because
She finds no gift from Santa Claus.

The world is full of light and cheer,
And merrily the bells resound:
The happiest day of all the year
Has come, and yet no joy is found
In this small heart. Behold, there lies
The empty stocking. Childish cries
Betoken depths of childish woe
That older hearts may never know.

The empty stocking! On the bed
It lies, a limp and shapeless thing,
Intended to embrace, instead,
The gifts that Santa Claus would bring.
Oh, symbol of the hopes of men,
Who strive and hope and strive again,
To this poor child, in sorrow's power,
What must it mean at such an hour?

The empty stocking! All the years
And all the joys that yet may be
Cannot dry up those galling tears
Nor sweeten that sad memory.
Forgotten! 'Tis a bitter word:
By it this childish heart is stirred.
And thus, how soon! is taught to know
How pitiless is human woe.

Willis Leonard Clananahan.

sacredness of property. If in childhood there are bestowed a few possessions, gifts from the saint of all children, toys glamored with the mystic spirit of Christmas, the sense of property rights and the obligations of ownership would have a root in the child's character.

That is a purely social view. It is like the revised proverb: "Honesty is the best policy, because it pays best." It pays society to be good to the children that they may grow up to be fine men and sweet women, full of high ideals and noble sentiment. But the greatest profit is the simple unaffected joy of the child when it has received that which all fairy lore teaches it to expect as its right. And even if it is denied us to see and hear the expression of the remembered child's joy the consciousness that we have prevented such sorrow as the picture shows is profit enough for any man.

There are hundreds of homes in St. Louis where there will be no Christmas joy this year unless out of your prosperity it is provided. The heads of the households are horribly poor. Daily needs are not supplied by their earnings. Daily suffering is the portion of the ill-nourished family. No luxury is possible.

It is to such that the Post-Dispatch hopes to bring the touch of luxury peculiar to Christmas. For these the feast will be spread on Christmas Monday in the Coliseum; for the children of these families the great Christmas tree will be decorated and the gorgeous Santa Claus will distribute gifts selected to please each child.

Let us have no empty stockings in St. Louis, no tears on Christmas, but everywhere the joy of children, the true atmosphere of Fairyland.

capacity of the individual. As we would not think of pitting other seasons it has been denied—at this season. When the a little child's muscles against those of a strong man we must glamor of the only half mythical Santa Claus has become dim not ask it to bear deprivations which are properly imposed you may demand self-denial and impose dearth.

Christmas is the children's season, the time when the little That crime which comes from poverty is due to the great ones rule. No child's scepter should be withheld; there should craving that has grown up in starved souls for the possession of beautiful things—long denied the desire has become a ruling passion; and theft is the natural result. He or she who he no exceptions. Whatever the child strongly desires of the ing passion; and theft is the natural result. He or she who never owned a thing worth having can have no notion of the world's toys and means for play should be given to it—if at

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BIGGEST WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

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Uncle Joe Cannon is to save everything, in order that it may be wasted on a very costly and useless naval expansion.

The German papers concede that Texas is larger than Deutschland, but adhere to their statement that the German language has more words than the English.

DODGING FOR DELAY.

Evidence accumulates that the congressional opponents of increased powers for the Interstate Commerce Commission are laying cunning schemes to defeat legislation on the subject this session.

One of these is to accept the President's proposal, already embodied in the Cooper bill, but make an appeal from the commission to the courts operate as a super-deceit.

In other words, the rate made by the commission in place of that complained of by shipper as unjust and unreasonable, will be suspended until the hearing is concluded, no restraint being imposed meanwhile upon the arbitrary action of the carrier.

It is difficult to perceive much improvement in this over the present mode of procedure. The unreasonable rate stands, and the shipper must await the conclusion of the case for redress. And if this is granted his remedy is still a suit for the money. The only advantage is that the shipper comes into the court of appeal with the prestige of the commission's approval. What that will be worth, practically, is a question not likely to excite practical men to great exertions.

These proposals are so many dodges resorted to by the men who consider all railway legislation not dictated by the railways themselves as anarchistic. If they cannot defeat such legislation they hope to delay it. In neither of these projects should they be allowed by public opinion to succeed.

In Rome the boy who knows the catechism best is proclaimed an emperor. The American boy not only dodges Sunday-school, but sometimes day-school, and he still expects to be elected president.

APPLYING EDUCATION TO LIFE.

Frau Marianne Weber, wife of Prof. Max Weber of Heidelberg, has been in this country studying the "feminist movement."

"The quality of the American woman," says Mrs. Weber, "is the practical, useful way in which she applies her education and makes it count for progress and social betterment. She is able to do this because of her fearlessness and her confidence in herself and also because of the American man's confidence in her."

This is to say that the American woman is equal to her opportunities. She applies her education, be it much or little.

Now, the essence of education, like the essence of religion, is its application. Learning which is not absorbed into life is like too much food in the stomach. It is a detriment, not a help to living.

If the American woman deserves the praise of this German lady—and of course she does—her continued progress is a foregone conclusion. A woman who can apply her education is solving the riddles of life.

If Alexander Dumas were flourishing he would make at least a dozen novels out of the Chadwick case.

THE QUESTION OF POPULATION.

The great modern city needs steadily increasing population—inside its own city limits and out.

Its population does not cease with the city limits. It extends in any case for hundreds of miles beyond them. In the case of St. Louis it extends from hundreds over the thousand mark.

The steady increase of the city's population of direct producers, distributed far beyond its limits, is necessary for the highest activities of the population of secondary producers inside the limits.

When these two populations keep pace with each other, the growth and wealth of the great modern city becomes more permanent as it becomes greater.

When we developed our base of supply and trade in keeping with the population actually inside our city limits, we are doing all, instead of only part, of what must be done to assure the city its future.

Banker Beckwith is a very ridiculous person, but there are others connected with the Chadwick case who may feel and look more foolish than he when the truth comes out.

MANNERS IN THE WHITE HOUSE

There is more talk of the need of a Chamberlain at the White House, a functionary whose duty it shall be to arrange ceremonials and see that distinguished foreigners are received properly.

We are making progress. We shall soon discover that we need a Black Rod at court, a Garter-King-at-Arms, a Master of the Buckhounds, a Falconer, a few dozen Gentlemen-in-Waiting, a Lord High Fiddlesticks and some more.

So it appears to those of us who are making progress. But there are many who think that the social activities at the White House should illustrate the best American manners, and should be characterized by sincerity, directness and simplicity. Manners should be infused with the spirit of democracy, which rejects the artificialities of

class and recognizes no distinctions save those of merit and faithful public service.

A social order and ceremonial of this kind needs for its creation a simple gentleman—a man of education and understanding, broad mind and of considerable social experience. His title should not be purloined from the haberdasheries of European courts, but should spring from the nature of his office in a democratic service.

Let us not be apes. When we go to France or China or England we hope to see the best French or Chinese or English manners. So when foreigners visit us they wish to see, not a poor copy of their own style, but an unaffected exemplification in manners of the best American character.

After peace's greatest victory, the greatest Exposition, it is meet that a St. Louis congressman should take a hand in bringing to an end the sanguinary war in the East.

MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL INTERESTS.
If St. Louis is to grow in greatness as well as in population, the moral and intellectual interests of the city should be represented in the Million Club.

By the plan formulated by the committee appointed for the purpose the membership will consist of the presidents, secretaries and treasurers of the commercial organizations. Representatives of Washington University, St. Louis University, the school board, the art museum, etc., are conspicuous by their absence.

The real purpose of the Million Club will be best served by including such interests and giving them force and effect.

More numbers do not make a great city. Nor do numbers combined with commercial success insure civic worth. Unless the population is infused with moral and intellectual life and the municipal conditions in which they dwell are orderly and in good health, the city is an unqualified mass.

The city should be made ready for the new population. We need more school buildings, the city institutions should be brought up to the standard of a model municipality. Forest Park is to be restored and a downtown park system established.

These improvements are necessary to induce the desired population to come in. Mere commercial advantage will tempt nobody. People must be assured that they and their children will enjoy opportunities for mental, moral and social culture before they will close with a commercial proposition.

The War Department hesitates to grant Gen. Miles permission to serve as adjutant-general of the Massachusetts militia on the ground that it is beneath the dignity of a lieutenant-general, U. S. A., to accept a brigadier's detail with state troops. Perhaps so, but if Miles can stand it, Corbin won't complain. Even Mr. Roosevelt would not mourn over any faux pas committed by the retired lieutenant-general.

OUR "PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS."

If we wish to get a just view of what we will owe to the gentlemen who are working so actively to give St. Louis a great public museum, let us count over on our fingers the great institutions we have already which are actually public.

To begin with, there is the Public Library. Next, there is the City Hall and also the Museum of Fine Arts. Then, if we do not wish to mention the Insane Asylum, the City Hospital and the Poorhouse in their present condition, we stop for consideration.

The result of the consideration ought to be another St. Louis Institution, actually public and really great. The Field Columbian Museum in Chicago is worth more to the Chicago of the future than the Columbian Exposition was to the Chicago of the past.

St. Louisans can have, and have at once, a museum covering a much wider field than was covered by the British Museum, or any other European museum, in 1803. It can lay the foundations now for what may become one of the great institutions of the country and the world. No other work the city has undertaken exceeds this in importance or calls for greater present efforts for its success.

It is fortunate that by the visit of Hon. Ananias Baker of Indiana to Washington so many congressmen have learned that there is in the Bible a good Ananias, as well as a bad one. Men are not elected to Congress, however, for their knowledge of Scripture.

THE FINAL QUESTION.

The most lamentable of the questions presented in the lamentable cases which continue to come into the St. Louis divorce courts is "the custody of the child."

When all that synods, ecclesiastical conventions and authorities, secular and religious, have to say on the subject has been said, the real point of it all will be summed up in the question of the care of the child.

The whole question of the future is the question of the care of the child, now, in the immediate present. The "happiness" or comfort of the parents is a very minor question by comparison.

The only right answer which can be given to it is by two of the right parents, working together and not apart, to answer it. When given, the right answer will be a child sure to develop into a man or woman of the right kind.

The Hanover (Germany) Courier informs its readers that a great sensation has been caused in St. Louis (United States) "by a declaration by the Democratic leader, Gen. Butler, in the Post-Dispatch, which states that the city of St. Louis has voted Republican for 30 consecutive years, but that repeated falsification of Republican votes has led to a Democratic victory." When the truth about American misgovernment loses itself in the labyrinth of German syntax it is sure to reappear in a chastened form. But it is gratifying that even in the Kaiser's dominions the statements of St. Louis are known and promoted.

AMIALE BUT DESPONDENT.

A Tory may be amiable and admirable. Many Tories are both. Some of the best men in the world are Tories.

If, however, they think that when our betters (twice, themselves) are doing their best for us, we are still so slow to improve that we cannot be trusted to manage our own affairs in our own way, "for centuries to come," it is this view which makes them Tories. It is, in fact, the very essence and soul of Toryism.

A very good, a very amiable, a very admirable and a very revered gentleman has just made a speech in Chicago in excellent English. He is just back from the Philippines and his name is Brent.

He says American culture has done "grand work" for the Filipinos already, but that it will take "centuries to build these people up intellectually."

By a singular coincidence, there are those who hold this exact opinion of the most admirable and amiable Tories in the world. It is to be hoped, however, that unlike the very admirable and very revered gentleman who despairs

so easily, none of these wish to deny to any Tory on earth the right to his own just liberty, uncoerced by his "betters," when he is not wronging them.

It is really a pity that so many very good and admirable men should be subject to the great intellectual misfortune which makes them despair so easily, when, as our betters, they have undertaken to elevate us. They are admirable now. But how much more admirable they would be if they were not such sad and despondent Tories!

Our wasteful extravagance in annexation and in war expenses in time of peace now serve as good reasons for keeping up absurdly high tariff rates.

SCHOOLS IN CITY AND COUNTRY.

The forthcoming report for 1904 of the state superintendent of schools shows a school population of 900,000, an enrollment of 731,410 and an average daily attendance of 464,706.

According to the school census in June, 1904, St. Louis contained a school population—that is, persons aged 6 to 16—of 178,200. The enrollment for the first quarter was 76,269 and the average attendance 65,170.

It thus appears that in the state 74 per cent of the school population is enrolled, while the average attendance is 46.7 per cent.

In the city 42 per cent of the population is enrolled, while the average attendance for the first quarter (September-December, 1904) is 36.5 per cent.

How does it happen that the enrollment and attendance throughout the state is so much greater proportionately than in the city? Economic necessity presses as heavily in the country as in the city. Probably as many children and youths are taken from school and set to work in the country as in the city. Allowing the proportion due to this cause to be about the same, how shall we explain the fact that nearly half the school population in the country attend school, while in the city the attendance is only a little more than one-third?

With all the advantages of good pavements, short distances and favorable hours, attendance is discouraged by want of school buildings, and a corps of well-paid teachers numerous enough to do justice to the pupils.

St. Louis needs, now, twice as many school buildings as we possess. Rooms of 60 are common. No teacher can do good work with more than 30 to 40.

If these are the conditions now, what shall we say to the 250,000 people whom we have invited to swell the population to 1,000,000?

It is a very short memory that cannot compare the present municipal conditions in St. Louis with those of ten years ago. We still need a great deal of improvement, but it is clear that great progress has been made.

The World's Fair camel expired on hearing that camel's hair brushes can now be made from the hair that grows in the ears of a steer.

JUST A MINUTE

for
POST-DISPATCH
Verse and Humor

In Potter's Field.

Here lies the nondescript of earth,
Poor souls who by the wayside fell—
Poor souls of long-forgotten North,
The sulcid, the ne'er-do-well,
The drunkard, murderer, opium fiend,
And she whose portion was deep shame:
Here, by the frozen grasses screened,
They lie, without a mark, a name.

Without a mark, a name, they lie,
In shallow graves, in alien sod,
Beneath an unresponsive sky,
Alone with silence and with God.
Slaves of contumely and scorn,
Which bound their souls, as to a stake,
When comes the Resurrection Morn,
Will they be eager to awake?

The Old Question Again.

What's in a name? Nothing, you say. But wait a minute. Tom Dabney of St. Louis did not amount to much, apparently, as a tenor when he first went on the stage; not that he was not a good singer, for he had a fine voice; but when he appeared at Bayonne, France, a few months ago, under the name of Lloyd D'Aubigne, his audience fairly went wild when he sang the title role of Gounod's "Romeo and Juliet," and his career was made.

Would the effect have been the same, do you think, had he stuck to the name of Tom Dabney?

Would George Washington have defeated the British if his front name had been Algvy?

Would Benjamin Franklin have been the great philosopher, inventor, editor and statesman that he was, had his Christian name been Percy?

Would it be possible to think of Harold Shakespeare? Or of Montmorency Milton?

Or of Jack Byron or Willie Tenyson?

Would D. R. F. have been a great exposition builder had it been his custom all his life to sign his name D. Rowland Francis?

Would William H. Thompson have been a handler of millions and an entertainer of princes and presidents if his name were W. Harold Thompson?

Oh, well, let's not argue! Think it over.

Have You Seen Him?

"What sort of a man is Jenks?"
"Well, I'll tell you. He's one of these fellows who stand around with a crowd and read the midday editions of the newspapers that are bulletined in restaurants instead of spending one cent for a copy of their own."

Instead of pounding away at Gen. Kuropatkin's left flank, why does not Gen. Oyama bat him one in the eye?

Do you want a World's Fair souvenir? Go and get the Ferris wheel. It is free to anybody who will cart it away.

The world will never be wholly satisfied until each man can have his own personally conducted weather bureau.

Hope Santa Claus won't be arrested this year for violating the Sunday law by keeping open all night.

LAWSON'S EXPOSURE OF "FRENZIED FINANCE"

A Review of the Results as Reached After Six Months of Serial Denunciation of Business and Political Corruption.

Written for the Post-Dispatch.

The question of what Thomas W. Lawson has or has not told since he began his series of articles under the heading of "Frenzied Finance" must be a puzzling one for those who have read them as they appeared from month to month. His methods in the six articles which have appeared in as many successive months have been calculated to excite the interest and curiosity of the reader and to keep them strained to the highest pitch, rather than to develop his facts in succinct and consecutive order.

To turn back to the period of the beginning of these articles, to review them from the beginning; to get from them whatever connection of fact appears definitely in them, has been made a work of great present interest and importance by recent sensational developments connected with them.

As few readers may have time for this, the object of this review is to attempt it in a summary which will show at once what Mr. Lawson has actually disclosed and at the same time what he has thus far reserved from publication.

In his first publication, made in the July number of Everybody's Magazine, he outlined the disclosures he announced his intention of making. In a general way, his prospectus announced the coming exposure of a system of "murders" in the control of the country's most important business interests as well as of legislatures, municipal assemblies, courts and presidential elections. The prospectus leads the reader to expect detailed evidence based on personal knowledge and so corroborated as to have the value of conclusive evidence in a court of law. Point by point, this evidence was to deal with several conspiracies involving the control of the gas supply of Boston and other cities, especially of Boston, through the "Bay State Gas Co." organized by Addicks of Delaware in its complicated relations with opposing companies, organized for the Standard Oil Company, through Henry H. Rogers, William Rockefeller, John D. Rockefeller and others in alliance with them.

A second item to which this was to lead was a disclosure of frauds in the organization of the copper mining industry of the country.

With this and developing through it into other related connections, there was promised a complete exposition of a system under which, with W. H. Rogers in executive control, the Standard Oil Company operates in business and in politics.

A third item of the prospectus called attention to matters of sensational interest involving James B. Keene of New York, already celebrated for his Wall street operations.

A fourth item in this index of future disclosures was a "hurry call" and the response with \$5,000,000 to control the electoral college in a presidential election.

The fifth disclosure promised was of the corruption of the judiciary with a specific case to be detailed of how two dress-suit cases full of money "were slipped across the table at the foot of a judge's bench" in return for a decision and of a plot to recover the money after it had been thus paid over.

The seventh item of the prospectus promised an exposure of the worst imaginable corruption in the law-making of Massachusetts, with evidence to show that legislators when needed were bought as if "in open market."

In the eighth item, evidence was promised of the disappearance of a prominent lawyer, his death and the death of his secretary, both sudden and both presumably from this statement the result of murder as an incident of the conspiracies dealt with.

In the eighth and ninth items concluding the outline in advance of what was promised, the public was informed of an exposure of methods of blackmail and of the connection between various great conspiracies and the courts of various states, including New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware.

After the appearance of this in July, the August installment of the story was devoted to introducing the history of the struggle for the control of Boston gas franchises and also to the organization of the Amalgamated Copper Co. The article gave an interesting and not wholly artistic description of Henry H. Rogers, devoting not quite a column to the peculiarities of his eyes. It also introduced him as a man of kind-hearted and noble nature, full of the best instincts and of such high virtues that it would be difficult to imagine higher. A similar tribute was paid to Mr. Rockefeller, and with this preliminary the reader was introduced to a statement that they had "capitalized" for \$5,000,000 properties which only cost them \$15,000,000 and at the same time had given their associates what is described as the "double cross." That is, after all, including Mr. Lawson himself, had joined in what is defined as a conspiracy in the expectation of a fair division of the returns from this business, they had made a "graded scale" in the division which kept the lion's share for themselves and distributed the rest as if it were only the offal to some who had expected the choicest cuts.

In his third disclosure in September, Mr. Lawson introduced a bank, organized with a line of subsidiary institutions to carry out such plans as that for "Amalgamated Copper." He shows the company organized through clerks controlled by Mr. Rogers, with millions in paper shuffled backwards and forwards through the bank during the organization of the syndicated company up to the final transfer when the clerks who had acted as "dummy directors" sell their interests to Rogers, who had controlled them.

In this chapter, the part which would be received as direct evidence in court is the story of an interview in which Lawson on finding that his own share was so much below what he had been led to expect, made a violent protest to Rogers, who, it is said, thereupon doubled the amount in millions, the exact figures of which are not stated. Mr. Lawson does not state in this connection that he attempted to interfere on behalf of the rest who were "getting the double cross." He left them to show their own indignation in their own way.

In the fourth disclosure, he returned to the Boston gas

fight and gives Addicks a personal introduction to the reader, accompanied by a full description of what he wears, how he looks and of his personal habits illustrated by many anecdotes. He introduces Keene also, as the prospectus promised, but the expected exposure of Keene merely leaves the impression that he has a noble soul and a large knowledge of business as it is done on the New York Stock Exchange. Throughout this installment as well as those of November and December, the center of interest is Boston gas and the heroes are Lawson, Addicks, Whitney and minor characters, including a mayor of Boston who is bought outright and then sold cheap. The two principal characters are Lawson and Rogers. Lawson represents Addicks against Rogers. They have an interview, sought by Lawson, after previous exposures of each other as ruggers and conspirators. As Mr. Lawson recalls the facts, he offered to sell the Addicks plants or to buy the Standard Oil plants in Boston. Under a proposition for the Addicks interests to buy the Standard Oil plants, he states that Rogers offered him a "bonus" or fee or bribe of \$500,000 to close the trade with Addicks at the price he (Lawson) had fixed as a representative of the Addicks interests. This he declined on the ground that it was hard to do business "properly" under such circumstances. Addicks did not buy or sell at the time, and the fight proceeded through the purchase of a charter for a third company, a masked Standard Oil enterprise, which is shown buying the Massachusetts legislature.

In this connection, Mr. Lawson develops an outline which if filled in with detailed evidence would appear one of the most sensational chapters in the history of public corruption. Except in statements of his personal connection with events, when the Massachusetts legislature was being bought, he does not give evidence in detail, however. The "murders" hinted at in the prospectus, appear in this connection when a lawyer and his secretary who informally had been engaged in bribing the legislature leave the country suddenly and both die mysteriously on the ocean voyage. The story here is merely a repetition in direct statement of the prospectus. Detailed evidence is not given as yet.

In the case of Amalgamated Copper, the detailed evidence offered to convict of conspiracy shows the forms through which a property had some \$5 in paper added to every dollar of its cash value at the time of its exploitation.

The detailed evidence given by Lawson in this connection was already available in the files of hundreds of newspapers and in many books of reference. The interest which attaches to it in his statement is that attaching to his personal and immediate connection with everything he refers for the exposure of others interested with him in what he has set out to expose as great and fraudulent conspiracies.

At the end of the six months, his detailed evidence against Rogers personally, against the Rockefeller personally, against every member of the Standard Oil company is still in reserve. In the case of Rogers, Lawson stands where he stood at the beginning, when he described Rogers as part of a cruel, ruthless and despotic system which he (Lawson) promised to prove, regards neither human nor divine law and cares neither for rights nor morals. He stands still, however, on the proposition that Rogers is a great-souled, generous, sympathetic man, with eyes which are at times as "restfully blue" as "skies that come with August and September afternoons when the best hum and the locust's drone blend with the smell of new-mown hay."

This information is interesting. The information that Mr. Lawson declares he has in detailed evidence of what a man, with eyes of this kind has been doing in a hundred conspiracies of which he gives either a bare outline or a suggestion, may also be more interesting. But after six disclosures through six consecutive months, Mr. Lawson still has the details of this evidence in reserve. He has told us as to Mr. Rogers and those immediately connected with Mr. Rogers nothing but what was already known to the public which reads newspapers and watches the progress of events.

The promise of sensational and overwhelming interest as the prospectus outlined it to the public, involved reaching Rogers and those immediately connected with him. This Mr. Lawson, it seems with great and artistic pains, has refrained as yet from doing. He has merely suggested what in his own view of the evidence in his possession, he is capable of doing.

The value of his writings is nevertheless great. He discloses nearly always in detailed statements his own incidental connection with systematic corruption greater than anyone else has characterized even in the extreme statements of mere denunciatory generalities. Here his statements cease to be generalities and become direct evidence. As a confession, which has not yet become an exposure of others except in the local politics of Boston, and in the case of Addicks, where it does amount to a revelation, his story through the six months is one of the most remarkable ever put on record. No other confession ever made in the affairs of the United States throws so strong a side-light on depravity in business and in politics, organized and systematic, as the confession Mr. Lawson makes of the extent to which he himself has been directly or indirectly involved in the conspiracies whose other members he has only incidentally exposed on evidence thus far developed only as from point to point they are brought into personal contact with himself.

Considered as a confession, it already surpasses every other on record in the business and political life of the country, but except as a confession it is still a prospectus. The detailed evidence against nearly every one except himself, and more especially against Messrs. Rogers and Rockefeller, still amounts to little more than a description of their personal appearance, a warranty of their personal benevolence and goodness and a statement that when business reasons prevent them from indulging their natural nobility of character, they are utterly depraved.

As far as it can be condensed into a general statement, this is what Mr. Lawson has told and has not told during six months.

REAL FRENZIED FINANCE.

(From the Portland Oregonian.)

The president of the National Bank of Alhethin sat in his private office. The door opened and John D. Rockefeller was ushered in.

"Good morning," said the president; "what can I do for you?"

"I want to borrow \$125,000," replied Rockefeller.

"On what security?"

"Standard Oil," was the reply.

The president of the bank shook his head. "Not good enough," he said firmly, adding, "please don't bang the door as you go out."

A few minutes later a veiled woman entered the office of the president.

"I want to borrow \$150,000," she whispered.

"Have you any security?" asked the president. "Merely as a matter of form, I assure you," he hastened to add, as he thought he detected signs of weeping behind his visitor's veil.

"Do you want security?" asked the woman. "Give me a piece of paper and a pen."

She wrote a few words and presented the paper to the president.

"Ah, Carnegie's note for \$5,000,000!" he exclaimed. "Are you sure the signature is genuine?"

"Sure," responded the mysterious stranger, "didn't you see me write it?"

"Certainly, certainly. A million and a quarter, I think you said. Nothing more today? No? Glad to oblige you at any time. Good day; don't forget the number."

PARENTAL PROMPTITUDE.

From Collier's Weekly.

Willie: Mamma, I think I like God better than I do papa.

Mrs. Simon: Why, Willie?

"Well, papa punishes me a great deal quicker than God does."

GEORGE ADE'S EASY BOSS.

From Success.

Judge Sanderson, who is practicing law in Everett, Washington, formerly lived in Kenland, Ind., the boyhood home of George Ade, the humorist.

"Ade was a peculiar character, in his younger years," says the judge. "He made my office a sort of loafing place during the little time he spent in loafing. He was employed on

The Great Mme. Rejane "Sidesteps" St. Louis for Indianapolis



Noted French Actress Disappoints Her Admirers Here Because, She Says, We Do Not Understand French—Musical Comedy Holds the Boards at Both the Century and the Olympic—Good Attractions at Other Houses.

REJANE, the greatest of French stage women after Bernhardt, will not come to St. Louis, as was at first expected; but St. Louis may go to her. Madame Rejane's management announces that she will be in Indianapolis tomorrow night, and that special arrangements will be made for St. Louis people who want to go there to see her.

Madame Rejane would not come to St. Louis because she believed there were not enough French speaking people here to make it worth her while. She was not afraid they would not come to see her; she felt assured that they would fill the house at whatever price per seat she might charge. But she feared they would not understand her French, and would go away disappointed and with a grievance.

Therefore she went to Indianapolis. While it is not probable that an unusual number of St. Louis people, French-speaking or otherwise, will go to Indianapolis to see Rejane, there is no question that her failure to come here gives keen disappointment to a large number of theatergoers. Madame Rejane is of the great in the theatrical world, and St. Louis knows and cannot understand her "non"—which may be proof of the Madame's declaration that St. Louis cannot understand French.

It really sounds queerly to hear, however, that a city founded by Frenchmen, governed by Frenchmen for a quarter of a century, and controlled as to its business and society by Frenchmen and their descendants for more than a century, doesn't know enough French to justify a famous French actress coming here to present a French play in French. And it sounds yet more queerly to hear that such a city's understanding of French is less than is that of Indianapolis. If she had said Vincennes or Cahokia, we might have understood; but Indianapolis—

Mme. Nellie Melba, she of the golden voice and the beautiful presence—the one songstress who, in the opinion of many of this day and time, is fitted to wear the laurels of Venus, Minerva and all the goddesses of beauty and wisdom and song that have come after them—will be at the Odeon the night after Christmas. She will give one concert, and then pack her things and leave us. Perhaps she will not return for many years; there are dire prophecies that there is another voice of gold over in England and Europe, and reaching even from South America, calling her voice of gold to come and be rewarded, and that she has begun to heed. She doesn't say it is a "farewell tour," she says she will come back to us; and therefore all is not sorrow. While Mme. Melba will be heard here only in concert, she broke a rule of four years' standing Friday night and appeared in opera, singing "La Boheme" in the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. She will appear three times more in opera within the next two weeks, her last appearance being Dec. 31. She will leave immediately after this performance for St. Louis.

Meador Robson is out for the championship as the long-distance "jumper," theatrically speaking, of the season. Thursday she began a jump from London to New York, and expects to complete it next Thursday. She will stay in New York long enough to appear at a special matinee Friday afternoon, and then will begin the second stage of her jump, which is expected to land her in St. Louis the morning of the following Monday. She will devote the day to recovering her breath, and Monday night will appear at the Olympic in the beginning of a one-week engagement in "Merely Mary Ann."

"Merely Mary Ann" doesn't sound like a Zaigwill play, but it is. And it is not a play of any Chicago. It is a heart story with a happy end. It tells the old tale

of a man, an ambitious but poverty-stricken woman after Bernhardt, with whom Mary Ann, the pretty daughter of his landlady, also poverty-stricken, falls very much in love. Then the pretty daughter becomes heiress to a fortune bearing the trademark, "made in America," and the musician, still ambitious and still poverty-stricken, becomes foolish and refuses to have anything more to do with her. Mary Ann rises to greatness as a social leader, and the musician rises to greatness as a musician; then they meet again, and the pretty girl, who had faithfully remained merely Mary Ann, promptly becomes Mrs. Musician. If there is anything that sounds less like a Zaigwill plot than does this, it must be Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch.

The week of Dec. 26 will be particularly interesting from a dramatic standpoint. Aside from Miss Robson at the Olympic, there will be The Virginian at the Century. Mme. Melba at the Odeon for one night, and Ada Rehan's opening of the new Shubert house, the Garrick. This should furnish all the entertainment that St. Louis cares for the week after Christmas.

The Garrick opening will mark an epoch in St. Louis' dramatic history, according to present promises and indications—an epoch that finds a forecasting shadow in the success of Blanche Bates. Miss Bates proved that a good actress with a good play well staged could draw big houses for a hundred nights in St. Louis; the Messrs. Shubert promise to prove that this was not wholly because of the World's Fair. They say they will bring good actors here with good plays, well staged, and keep them here for indefinite runs—not provide them in advance with notices to leave at the end of the week. "If a play takes well here," says the Messrs. Shubert, "we'll let it stay here until patronage begins to wane, whether that is for a week, a fortnight, a month or an entire season."

Miss Rehan opens in "The Taming of the Shrew," and it is announced that she is surrounded this year with the best company and the best stage equipment she has yet had. Miss Rehan's "Katherine" long since passed the point where it could be improved upon, to quote from several hundred people, who say they know whereof they speak, but as her ambition yet survives, there is little question that she will put some extra effort into her work at the opening of the Garrick. And, besides, there are people in her company who have capacity and who have not yet reached the pinnacle. These, of course, will strive to their utmost. Altogether, the play promises to be the thing, despite the social features that are planned for the initial night.

"Sergeant Kitty," a comic opera now to this city and under the management of Mr. George R. White, will be the attraction at the Olympic this week, beginning tomorrow night. Its book is by R. H. Baldwin and the music was written by A. Baldwin Sloane. It is presented by a company of sixty people including a big chorus of pretty girls.

It is distinctly to the advantage of the play that although it is now here its cast includes several who are well known and well liked in St. Louis. Helen Byron, who is the "Kitty," was seen here last season as Peggy in "Peggy from Paris," and is sure of a hearty welcome. Charles Wayne, comedian, scored heavily with lovers of stage fun during the run of "The Tenderfoot." Sylvia Langille was Fandango in "Napoleon," the Delmar in "Louisiana," and a donna and Virginia

Palmer, who plays an important character in the play, have both been seen here in "The Silver Slipper" and earned a right to call themselves St. Louis favorites.

Others in the cast of principals are Frederick Knights, Wheeler Earl, Tom Haden, Lillian Seville, James A. Furey, George Peard, George Lloyd, Myrtle Lottmer, Clara Sterling and Joseph Chadwick.

Richard Carle's "Maid and Mummy" comes to the Century this afternoon. Mr. Carle wrote the play, gets royalties on it, and lets somebody else do the acting, while he sticks to "The Tenderfoot." The star of the piece is Richard Carroll, whose sounds just enough like Richard Carle to be just as good. And they say he is almost, anyhow.

Janet Priest, who does Muggsy, the Child of the Slums, in the "Maid and the Mummy," considers herself a victim of her diminutive size. Miss Priest is but a trifle over four feet in height, but plump, and some of her friends say she might almost be called a pocket edition of one of Michael Angelo's famous marbles. Miss Priest finds her stature extremely useful in the depiction of the child studies she is giving the stage, but very awkward when she seeks a wardrobe. In these days the feminine element can find extremely pretty "ready to wear" things in shops, and all that is necessary is to have the price, take them away, put them on and wear them. But Miss Priest, unless she can find a fit in the children's department, has to hire some one to make her clothes for her.

Miss Priest has only been in stardom for two years. Before that time she was a dramatic editor and woman's page editor on one of the important daily newspapers in the northwestern country. The characters which she depicts are children, and, by preference, the children of the streets.

One of Felix Philippi's most sensational dramas, "Das Grosse Licht" ("The Great Light"), will be presented at the Olympic theater this week. The play is a story of a man who, under the name of a stock company, is the Olympic theater to their utmost. Altogether, the play promises to be the thing, despite the social features that are planned for the initial night.

ever done. "Beau Brummel" will be repeated Tuesday evening. "The Merchant of Venice" will be given Wednesday evening, with Mr. Mansfield as Shylock, for the first time here in nine years. Thursday evening will witness Mr. Mansfield's only appearance as the Baron Chevalier in "A Parisian Romance." Friday night his new production of "King Richard III" will be given. At the Saturday matinee "The Merchant of Venice" will be repeated, and at the farewell performance Saturday night he will act "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." There are 106 people in Mr. Mansfield's organization, and for the production of these plays he brings six 60-foot baggage carloads of scenery.

The Odeon's stock company management announces complete satisfaction with the patronage the house is receiving. "In the Palace of the King" drew well. "Soldiers of Fortune" drew better, and the owners of the enterprise declare "The Christian" will prove that a good stock company out on Grand avenue can be made a paying proposition.

The Odeon's "open night" this week is taken by the Union Musical Club, which presents Mrs. Pannie Bloomfield-Zeiler tomorrow evening in a piano concert. Mrs. Bloomfield-Zeiler is so well known to St. Louis music lovers that there is every assurance of one of the best houses of the season.

WHAT WILL BE SEEN IN ST. LOUIS THIS WEEK

THE OLYMPIC.—"Sergeant Kitty" begins a week of the Olympic tomorrow evening. The story of the play is sufficiently complicated to permit of a great number of amusing situations. Kitty is a winsome, headstrong and pretty girl, who is in love with a lieutenant in the French Hussars. She is the ward of an eccentric aunt, who is determined that Kitty shall not marry at all because of her youth. Kitty is determined to marry her handsome lieutenant, and they arrange an elopement. In a series of accidents they become separated and Kitty, pursued by her aunt, reaches the meeting place ahead of the lieutenant. She must be married at once before her aunt, whom she has locked in a pastry cook's pantry, escapes.

In her trouble she discovers that her lieutenant's orderly has arrived with his master's uniform. Kitty coaxes the orderly to don the uniform and act as a proxy for the lieutenant and be married to her. He is a stupid orderly and an amusing scene follows. The aunt escapes from the pantry and interrupts the wedding by causing the orderly to be sent to prison for kidnapping Kitty.

There is another officer whose love affairs mingle in a humorous way with the love troubles of Kitty. This other officer is the nephew of the commanding general and he cannot marry until he is 25 years of age without forfeiting a fortune to his uncle. He has, however, married secretly. His wife follows him to camp. He does not want her known as his wife, and

introduces her as the wife of Kitty's lover.

To further augment the fun there is a captain who while traveling in a railroad car with Kitty and her eccentric old aunt fell in love with Kitty. She, a bit of a flirt, encouraged him and gave him a card telling him to write often. He did not get her card however. The mischief loving Kitty gave him instead the card of her old aunt, who supposes her husband dead and is willing to marry again. The captain corresponds with the aunt, thinking he is again separated by military orders. While in the soldier's costume she is forced to tell who she is, and she says that she is an officer and when pressed says she is a sergeant. Then unthinkingly she says her name is Kitty and the soldiers have a lot of fun with the supposed boyish officer and dub him "Sergeant Kitty."

Kitty gets her name of "Sergeant Kitty" when she dresses in the costume of the orderly to aid her in her plans to get married and reach her lover from whom she is again separated by military orders. While in the soldier's costume she is forced to tell who she is, and she says that she is an officer and when pressed says she is a sergeant. Then unthinkingly she says her name is Kitty and the soldiers have a lot of fun with the supposed boyish officer and dub him "Sergeant Kitty."

THE CENTURY.—The story of "The Maid and the Mummy," which comes to the Century this afternoon, is woven around an impetuous curio dealer, formerly an actor-manager, Washington Stubbs, who is reduced after a hard season to selling his theatrical properties and is endeavoring to work them off on the unwary as genuine antiques. He has an able assistant in his property man, Bolivar. To Stubbs' shop comes Dr. Elasha Dobbin, a learned scientist, who, under the delusion that he has discovered the elixir of life and that with it he can restore all of the vital functions, even restore the dead to life, is determined that Kitty shall not marry at all because of her youth. Kitty is determined to marry her handsome lieutenant, and they arrange an elopement. In a series of accidents they become separated and Kitty, pursued by her aunt, reaches the meeting place ahead of the lieutenant. She must be married at once before her aunt, whom she has locked in a pastry cook's pantry, escapes.

In addition to the story of the Mummy, there is also one of the Maid, or rather the Maida, for there are two love incidents. One is that of the doctor's daughter, Flo, with a fire-eating Brazilian, and the other that of Washington Stubbs and Trifle Evergreen, late leading lady of his theatrical company.

The principal musical numbers are: "My Gasoline Automobile," "Flo," "Letters," "Sad Experiences," "The Poster Diversely," "Oh, Gee! It's Great to be Crazy," "My Egyptian Queen," "A Congress of Nations in Ragtime," "I'm So Dizzy," "I Fell in Love With Polly," and "Fecular Julia." Matinees will also be given Wednesday and Saturday.

THE GRAND.—Charley Grapewin, in "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," is the attraction at the Grand Opera House commencing with matinee today. This musical comedy

was seen here last season. The story opens with the hilarious return of the Pipp family and a party of friends from the race to the rollicking strains of the introductory of the musical number, "The Races." Mr. Pipp is a festive young married man who had been induced by his wife to sign a pledge not to touch intoxicants of any kind for a year, and at the opening of the play the twelve months have just expired. Mr. Pipp decides to celebrate the event and meeting a party of convivial friends and gaily sociates proceed to have a "time." The awakening of Mr. Pipp the next morning, face to face with cold reality and an outraged wife, his condition and attempts at explanation and extenuation, make the fun. At next Sunday matinee, Kellar will begin a week's engagement.

THE STAR.—"Solomon Isaacs," a drama full of sensation and alive with comedy, opens with a matinee at the Star Theater this afternoon. The play is unique from the fact that a comedy Hebrew is the lead, and through the entire play his shrewdness and wit win rounds of applause. Another interesting fact attaches to this week's bill at the Star, for, with this production, the stock company ends its stay, and beginning with Dec. 2, the little playhouse will have only high-class vaudeville for its entertainments.

THE IMPERIAL.—At the Imperial Theater Patrice and her company will be the attraction this week, starting this afternoon. The play, "Driven from Home," is of the heart-interest order—beautiful stage settings, handsome hero, stern old father, devoted brother and kind old mother, and Patrice, who, as Margie May, the farmer's daughter, gives a delightful bit of acting.

The scenic display as promised is one of the most magnificent ever accorded a like production, and some of the features are wholly new to the stage. The great "Flat Iron" building in New York City will be shown in all its grandeur, and also the entire square at that point, which embraces Broadway, Fifth avenue and Twenty-third street. A realistic snowstorm is also introduced. Popular-price daily matinees will be given as usual at the Imperial. "Shadows of a Great City" follows.

THE COLUMBIA.—The change of program at the Columbia tomorrow afternoon reveals some attractive features. Henry Lee, the veteran impersonator, will present likenesses of great men, past and present, including Pope Leo XIII, President Roosevelt, Mark Twain, Gen. Grant and Gen. Robert E. Lee. Lewis McCord and company will be seen in Willard Holcomb's sketch, "Her Last Rehearsal," an entertaining playlet. Simon and Paris will offer an amusing burlesque of the early Greeks. A singing and dancing act of unusual interest is that of the Knight brothers, who rank with the best performers in their line and are assisted by Miss Sewell. West and Van Staden will have a sketch entitled "The Gymnasium," which is said to possess much merit and to be particularly amusing to college men. Other promising numbers are Frank Bell, the original constable in "Way

Down East," in a monologue of unusual interest, and the New York Novelties' Quartet, singers and dancers. The complete list includes Campbell, Dillon and Campbell, in a comedy musical act; Miett's trained dogs, St. John and La Ferre, in singing, dancing and imitations; the Quinn trio, in a juvenile novelty act, and the kindreds.

CRAWFORD'S.—The peculiar complications at Crawford's has, after a week of threatened law suits and injunctions, been settled by both contenders getting the house. For the next week Crawford patrons can see two complete plays for one admission. Manager Crawford, through a misunderstanding, booked Sir A. Conan Doyle's detective play, "The Sign of the Four," with Sherlock Holmes as the leading character, and Jule Walters' "Side Tracked" for the Crawford theater for the same week, and when the managers of the two companies arrived in town the first of the week they were confronted with each other's paper ready to be posted. Immediately each began legal steps to prevent the other company from appearing. However, the present arrangement does away with all trouble, and the two companies will present their plays during the week, with the usual matinees. The first performance will begin at 8 o'clock, and the second will end at 11:30.

HAYLIN.—The pomp and circumstance of glorious war and the heart trials and triumphs of those "sighing like a furnace, with a woful ballad made to their mistresses' eyebrows," are spectacularly and sensationally illustrated in "The White Tigers" of Japan, Charles A. Taylor's new melodrama of love and war, which Manager William T. Krogg will present for the first time at Haylin's this week, beginning with a matinee today. The play is largely founded on the desperate death grapple between the great Russian bear and the almost superhumanly brave and agile Japanese brownie. The four acts are successively located in Japan, China, Korea and Manchuria, offering opportunity for effective introduction of realistic reproductions of cities, scenes and formations in those countries. There are beautiful incidents, nobles, soldiers, jesters, diplomats, spies, priests, bandits, etc., galore and last but not least, "The White Tigers" herself, who stands as a wonderful, original embodiment of melodramatic possibilities. Manager Krogg will present the well-known comedian, Bill Clifford, Sunday matinee, Dec. 2, in his latest success "How He Won Her." There will be a special matinee on Monday, Dec. 5.

ODEON.—"The Christian," the play from Hall Caine's novel, in which Viola Allen made a large part of her fame, following "Soldiers of Fortune," at the Odeon, and the promise is made that the Odeon stock company is particularly well cast for its presentation. The people are being reassured to make this feature as great a success as Miss Allen made it. The play will be given its first presentation by the stock company Tuesday night. This afternoon and tonight "Soldiers of Fortune" will have its last presentations.

AT 22, A WOMAN BLIND FROM BIRTH LEARNS TO SEE

Remarkable Experiment, Following Extraordinary Operation, Is Being Made at the University of Iowa, and Its Success Is Assured.

BINOULAR VISION MAY BE ACQUIRED BY ADULTS

Slowly, She Learns to Distinguish Forms With the Aid of Stereoscope and Opera Glass—Removal of Cataracts Restored Her Sight

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 12.—A woman, blind from birth, and who acquired her sight through an operation when she was 22 years of age, is being treated in the psychological laboratory at the state university.

Those who have been studying her case believe that they have succeeded for the first time in teaching binocular vision to an adult. The current opinion of the medical profession is that the ability to see an object as single while using both eyes must be attained early in life or not at all.

From the time of the Cheselden case in 1733, when the operation for cataract came into use, only six other instances are recorded in which persons born with complete cataracts in both eyes received their sight after reaching maturity. The present case is the first to be studied in a psychological laboratory in this country. The operation, known as needling of the lens, was performed by Dr. Lee Wallace Dean, professor of ophthalmology at the state university of Iowa, and surgeon for the state school for the blind.

The name of the patient will be withheld until the experiments are completed.

The training by which the young woman was taught binocular vision was conducted by Dr. James Burt Minor, instructor in philosophy, who has been making the psychological examination. Although she at first used only one eye to see with, just as all cross-eyed persons do, she has now learned to see with the stereoscope. The two pictures of the stereoscopic view are combined by her into one picture seen in normal sight. These observations have been carefully tested and are corroborated by Dr. Carl E. Seashore, professor of psychology at the university.

How Persons Learn to See.

The investigation touches the interesting question propounded 200 years ago by Molyneux to Locke as to whether a person born blind and acquiring vision in adult life could distinguish a cube from a sphere without touching them. Except for her touch and hearing experience, gained at the school for the blind, this young woman was in the same position as a baby so far as understanding what she saw. The experiments give much valuable and curious information as to the way persons learn to see.

Experience with the opera glass and telescope were especially unique to her. With the opera glass reversed she had great difficulty in understanding how the little persons she saw could be human at all. The morning after she looked through the telescope she anxiously inquired if other persons could see the points of the stars. She seemed quite worried because she had been unable to see the points, which her previous touch experience had indicated were to be found on the stars.

Drawings Meant Nothing to Her.

A month ago drawing meant practically nothing to her. She had no idea of perspective from the time she was born. A picture of a box did not even suggest the object. Now she is not only able to see the box in perspective, but she can reverse the figure just as those with normal vision do. Faces are still a puzzle to her. She thinks she recognizes only four persons by the features which she sees them.

In respect to color vision, somewhat to the surprise of the investigators, the 22 years of blindness has apparently caused no degeneration. She can discriminate colors as well as others with normal vision. She is so near white that the average person probably would not see any color. Tests have also been made upon her hearing and touch to see whether they have been increased in power through the disuse of sight.

In the report of the case recently made by Dr. Minor at a Chicago meeting of the American Psychological Association, he described her reversal of the ordinary condition by which the white objects of the same size appear different. With her it is the black object, instead of the white, that appears larger. There is some indication, however, that she at times gets this illusion normally.

The investigation is still going on. A preliminary report will be published in the January volume of the psychological studies to be issued from the state university laboratories.

Calve Fell Downstairs.

VIENNA, Dec. 12.—The farwell concert of Emma Calve, which was to be given last week at the Conservatoire, and in expectation of which a large audience had gathered at the place, was suddenly called off on account of an accident to the great actress. In descending the marble staircase of her hotel to go to the concert, Calve slipped and fell, rolling for quite a distance down the stairs. When bystanders saw the accident, they rushed to the aid of the actress and the doctors had to work for several hours over her before she recovered her senses. It is said that she is only slightly injured.

PRETTY GIRL GIVES UP HOPE OF FAME TO WED A MILLIONAIRE



GERTRUDE
GRAHAM

Illinois Singer and Composer, Who Though Very Young, Has Already Won Success, Decides That's Nothing When Measured Against Love.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—"No, I shall not sing in public again after I am married, although I have worked hard and long with a musical career in prospect, and although it seemed for months that I could not bear to give this prospect up."

"But when ambition and love enter the lists together, and love wins the day, what else can happen? I tried my best to be firm about it, but my heart said 'no'."

A year ago last summer Gertrude Dewey Graham, a beautiful Chicago girl just fresh from convent school, was in the Catskills with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Graham. Staying nearby was Leonard George, a young millionaire of New York, with his parents.

Miss Graham, who, even while hard at work at her school studies, had composed romantic music, had vowed herself and her talents to a life of artistic toil as a public singer.

Mr. George had planned to make for himself an enviable name in the legal field, and to think of little but the law until this had been accomplished.

The relatives of both young people had granted approval to these various plans for attacking and conquering the citadel of fame.

Small Dan Cupid, whom nobody had consulted, used the promising schemes with a single glance. Miss Graham, out walking with her mother, she has never yet gone anywhere unattended—not the young man whom she is to marry next April, and two hearts were lost, won, and exchanged before Cupid could even select his most telling arrow. The young man knew himself enslaved on the instant. Miss Graham, while not admitting her defeat until long after, was also curiously affected by the momentarily important but most unimportant seeming encounter. A smile, a blush, and the love chains were infinitely strengthened. The ardent lover, losing little time in delays or hesitation, plunged at once into the attempt to win from the charming girl a promise to become his wife.

Pair, athletic, winsome, beautiful Miss Graham, who has been called "the second Lillian Russell" because of her close resemblance to the celebrated stage beauty, the acknowledged belle of the summer colony—which added nothing to the peace of mind of her yet unaccepted lover. When, in the autumn, she went back to her musical studies in New York, where she sang weekly in the Episcopal church of the Ascension, the appearance of still other admirers by the Court of Appeals. But the girl, though admitting that she found this newest swain and devotee decidedly

GOEBEL'S BROTHER TO RENEW FIGHT

Despite Supreme Court's Ruling in Powers Case, He Is Not Discouraged.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 12.—Instead of being discouraged as a result of the third reversal by the Court of Appeals of the judgment of the Scott Circuit Court in the case of Caleb Powers, three times convicted of complicity in the Goebel murder conspiracy, Arthur Goebel, the brother of the murdered governor, will go into the prosecution for another trial with renewed energy.

He has written to friends here that he will never cease his efforts to secure the conviction of the guilty parties and will lend all the aid within his power to the side of the commonwealth.

The death some months ago of Col. T. C. Campbell of New York, of the side of the state in the trials of all the alleged conspirators, removed a strong hand from the prosecution, which will have to be supplied before another trial of the lower court is entered into. Mr. Goebel will shortly confer with Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin and other friends regarding the selection of some one to take Mr. Campbell's place as assistant to the officer of the state in the prosecution.

It is understood here that the attorneys for Powers are seriously considering taking the case to the Supreme court at Washington on the alleged federal question before going into another trial in the court below. If this is done the case will not be called in the Scott Circuit Court for a year at least.

DR. LORENZ LIVES IN SUPERB HOME

Here the Busy Orthopedic Surgeon Finds Relaxation From His Enormous Labors.

A CONNOISSEUR IN ART

Art Objects Fill the House and Carved Marbles Adorn the Beautiful Gardens.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
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VIENNA, Dec. 12.—Dr. Adolph Lorenz is well known in America, not only for having cured little Miss Lolita Armour of Chicago of congenital dislocation of the hip, but because two years ago in that country he demonstrated his system of orthopedic surgery upon the children of the poor.

But it may surprise Americans who know Lorenz to learn that the hard-working surgeon, who leads a professional life so arduous and anxious, possesses a most beautiful and luxurious home of his own, on the banks of Danube, ten miles from this city.

Fifty years ago Lorenz was born in Silesia of poor parents. To Vienna he owes his education, both literary and medical. Near Vienna, while yet comparatively young, he relaxed from his surgical labors amid everything that heart could desire or physician prescribe. Lorenz has been good to the poor—the rich have rewarded him.

Passing the hampered entrance gates, the carriage-road to Lorenz's home ascends a sharp incline through terraces of rose and other flower-beds. The house, designed by Llemann, the architect of this city, is built in the old Viennese style. The entrance hall, of noble proportions, is wainscotted up to the lantern lights with alderwood, a species of dark pine wood. An open staircase leads from the hall to the gallery on the second story, from which the bedrooms are entered. The great fireplace in the hall is after an old English design.

Many objects of art adorn the hall; the lovely Madonna, by Selp, standing on a carved pedestal, is one of probably 20 valuable gifts presented to Lorenz by "grateful patients." The pictures include portraits of the surgeon and his wife by Bitterlich of Vienna, and of their eldest son, who is in the Austrian army, by Eisenmenger.

The gem of the collection is the "Judgment of Diana." This picture was discovered in an attic of an old Austrian castle, and was bought by Dr. Lorenz some years ago. It is of the Genoese school, and has lately been identified as a picture by Lucas Gambiasso. A similar picture by the same painter can be seen in the gallery of the Duchess of Galliera, in the "Palazzo Bianco," in Genoa.

Only great glass doors separate the hall from the drawing-room, of which the prevailing color is cerise, which well contrasts with the palms about the room. Here is a picture of Lorenz on his favorite horse, but all the other paintings are landscapes. The dining-room is filled with rare paintings. The ceiling of the room contains the "Four Seasons," by Bitterlich; "Winter" is a portrait of Mrs. Lorenz's father; Lorenz himself represents "Autumn."

The library is filled in green and heated

ARRANGED WEDDING FOR GRANDFATHER

Says He Was to Get \$200—Sues for \$194 Not Yet Received.

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
ENGLISH, IND., Dec. 12.—David A. Cole, grandson of David Cole, a wealthy resident of Crawford County, Ind., who died about a year ago, has filed a remarkable suit against the estate, alleging that \$194 is still due him for his services in arranging a marriage between his grandfather and Mrs. Sarah Brown.

Cole alleges that his grandfather was in love with the widow Brown, and promised to pay him \$200 if he succeeded in making a match between them. Cole declares that through his efforts the couple were married and lived happily together until the death of his grandfather. He alleges that after the marriage the grandfather gave him \$25, but failed to pay the balance of \$194. Cole left an estate valued at \$100,000.

NEW VEGETABLE FOR THE LOUBET TABLE.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
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PARIS, Dec. 12.—A new vegetable imported from China and called "potato," which promises to acquire as much popularity as the potato did under Louis XVI, was recently presented to President Loubet at the first time this week, and met with much appreciation from the guests at the Elysee. It is a sort of cabbage, and the preparation of it for dinner was the object of many conferences between the majordomo and the chef of the Elysee palace.

by an immense stove enclosed in green tiles.

Upon the table near the window are many English and French journals. On the doctor's writing table are a number of statues and curios, and among the latest photographs, in that given to him recently by President Roosevelt. The public interest aroused by the doctor's wonderful treatment is evidenced by the great volume of criticism and comment it has called forth in the world's press. In a short time the newspaper cuttings filled four folio books, after which Dr. Lorenz ceased to have them classified, and the bundles containing them are deposited with the lumber.

The marble balustrade of the terrace on the north side of the house came from the Elizabeth bridge and the Tegethof bridge in Vienna, pulled down for the purposes of the underground railway in that city. In the center of one of the flower-beds a graceful palm grows out of a carved marble block, once a well head in Venice. The Caryatides and the carved lions in marble came from old palaces in Venice. The view from the terraces is charming.

Innumerable walks wind through the grounds which are thickly planted with all sorts of trees. The doctor has an excellent tennis court formed on the hillside, where in the season spirited contests take place. There is also an alley where the game of Kegel, somewhat resembling ten-pins is played. At every point of vantage there is a summer house, and chairs where visitors may rest and enjoy the lovely view.

So, small wonder that, in gratitude, Lorenz, in a pretty corner of his garden has reared a monument to the memory of his teacher in surgery, the late Prof. Albert, of the University of Vienna.

EDITOR MAY GET MILITARY HONOR

Jacob Allen of Butler Times Probable Appointee of Gov-Elect Joseph W. Folk.



SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
BUTLER, Mo., Dec. 12.—Jacob Allen, editor of the Butler Times, is regarded as the probable successor of Adjutant-General Dameron under the Folk administration. Mr. Allen's sponsor is Judge W. W. Graves and this place is said to be the efficient and important service he rendered during the campaign. Judge Samuel J. Harrison, of Hannibal, is also a candidate for the office.

TWO JURIES, TWO VERDICTS

SPECIAL TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 12.—A very remarkable criminal case will be brought before the Supreme Court for decision from the Circuit Court of Harrison County during the next few weeks, presenting a phase of law that has never before been passed upon by the state's highest tribunal. A negro from one of the lumber-mill settlements in Harrison County was indicted on two counts for alleged forgery of checks in the company's commissary. The two counts were based on absolutely the same evidence, and the negro was tried on each. While jury No. 1 was deliberating on a verdict the negro was being tried on the second indictment before jury No. 2. Jury No. 1 returned to the courtroom with a verdict of acquittal. The same witnesses were on the stand in both cases, and the judge gave exactly the same instructions.

An Inauspicious Time.

Ting-a-ling! Ting-a-ling. Yet it was only 3 p. m.
Ting-a-ling! Ting-a-ling-ling-ling! The society bells were very sleepy, but there was nothing to do but climb out of bed and answer it.
"Hello!" she called, crossly.
"Hello! Is that you, Grace?" called her sweetheart. "Yes? Excuse me for ringing you up so early, but I've got to go out of town in an hour."
There is also an alley where the game of Kegel, somewhat resembling ten-pins is played. At every point of vantage there is a summer house, and chairs where visitors may rest and enjoy the lovely view.
So, small wonder that, in gratitude, Lorenz, in a pretty corner of his garden has reared a monument to the memory of his teacher in surgery, the late Prof. Albert, of the University of Vienna.

TEMPERANCE WINS BREWER ENDS LIFE

Victory for the "Dry" Hits His Business, Whereupon He Seeks the River.

GENESEE, Ill., Dec. 12.—F. L. Sabin, agent for a St. Louis brewing concern, at Geneseo, is supposed to have committed suicide by jumping into the river at Van Buren street, at Chicago. He first wrote a letter to his friends saying he had forged his wife's name to notes, that he was unable to make a living for his wife and son and that he was a failure.

As a climax to Sabin's financial trouble, the town of Geneseo became prohibition by action of the town council a month ago, stopping his business entirely. This is said to be the direct cause of his suicide.

"I will write my name on the guard rail of the Van Buren street bridge over the river before jumping into the water, so that you can find the body," said the letter. "After that I will tie weights to my hands and feet in order to make death doubly sure."

PLANS BIG GAME PRESERVE

Louisiana Society Would Buy Islands for the Enjoyment of Wild Birds.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 12.—The Louisiana Society is arranging a great plan for the preservation and propagation of game and other birds of the state, and of those of other parts of the United States which come to the South for the winter. In the plan the main idea is to acquire by purchase or otherwise about 80 marsh islands off the St. Bernard coast in the Gulf of Mexico. These islands will make the greatest game preserve in the world, and the society thinks that no better way can be devised to perpetuate the memory of the great naturalist John James Audubon.

Audubon was a native of Louisiana and his two books on the birds and animals of America brought him fame as the greatest naturalist that ever lived, and made him one of the most distinguished of Louisiana's sons. The total area of the land wanted for the game preserve by the society amounts to nearly 50 square miles. This will make it one of the largest in the United States, if not in the world. The Audubon Society has been actively engaged since its organization in preventing the destruction of many of the wild game, plumage and song birds, which have become extinct almost everywhere in the world excepting in this state. The guilts, terns and several other native wild birds which have become extinct are now protected at all times by law, and these are being propagated on the Breton island preserve.

STOLE THE CHURCH ORGAN

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 12.—An organ stolen from the Union Sunday School near Dupont, Jefferson County, has been found in the possession of Isaac Heck of this city. The organ was taken from the Palmer school house, near Dupont, and Deputy Sheriff J. H. Allen of Jefferson County at once went to work on the case. On going to the school house yard, the deputy sheriff found the track of a wagon drawn by one horse. The track of the horse was followed until the animal had three wheels off, the left hind foot being the only one shod, and that with a peculiarly curved shoe. Mr. Ahlert traced the horse to this city and with aid of officers here located the rig at the Reinhardt barns. Soon afterward the missing organ was found at the Heck pawnshop, where it had been sold for \$8 by a stranger, according to Mr. Heck.

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Special to the Post-Dispatch.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 17.—Montana is perhaps the only state in the union enjoying the distinction of having the affairs of its state auditor's office in the hands of one of the gentler sex.

Miss Elizabeth Hogan is to all intents and purposes auditor of the state of Montana. State Auditor J. H. Cullerhead and Deputy Oliver M. Holmes are in the East on a somewhat protracted business trip, so that the duties devolved upon Miss Hogan, who for the past four years has held the position of stenographer to the auditor.

It is not the first time, by any means, that a similar situation has arisen, so that by this time Miss Hogan has become accustomed to it, and she directs the business of the office as calmly as any veteran could.

Last week, which marked the close of a fiscal year, and incidentally was a payday for every employe at the state capitol building, was a particularly strenuous

NEW JERSEY NEGROES SEND AN EMISSARY TO THE SOUTH TO FIGHT THE "JIM CROW" LAW

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 17.—For the purpose of testing the "Jim Crow" law, the Rev. Taylor Jones, a negro clergyman, has left here for the South. He says he is backed in the project by a number of negro organizations in New York and New Jersey, and that they are supplying the cash. He says he has sufficient funds to carry the test to the Supreme Court, if necessary. He doesn't expect to get into trouble.

After the holidays the Rev. W. H. Taylor, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church here, will be absent on a similar errand. In speaking of Jones' trip he says:

"Recent cases in the South where negroes have been forced to leave the regular day coaches until they cross the lines

one, and might well be looked upon with dread, but not so by "Auditor" Hogan. She sat at her desk and turned out warrants for thousands upon thousands of dollars as coolly as though she were purchasing a box of bonbons or a matinee ticket.

That Miss Hogan fills the role of auditor most efficiently is attested by all those who have had dealings with the office since the departure of the chosen people's servant and his deputy. Miss Hogan prior to her appointment as stenographer to the state auditor served for several years as auditor at the Broadway natatorium, the largest swimming pool in the country.

With the exception of Ella Knowles Haskell, who acted as attorney general during the absence of her husband, Henri J.

of the Jim Crow states have had people in New Jersey to realize that if something is not done sooner or later by the colored people of New Jersey against this obnoxious law it will not be very long before the Jim Crow law in effect in this state.

"Realizing this, we decided to send Jones south on this trip. He will make a protest to the state authorities of several states through which he passes, and will carry the matter to the highest courts of the land, in order that this rank violation of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution may be stopped and the law repealed."

The Rev. Mr. Taylor said protests would first be made to the authorities of Virginia and North Carolina.

Haskell, several years ago, Miss Hogan is the only woman who has ever acted as the head of one of the state departments.

Glances Into Mythology.
Actaeon had been turned into a stag by Diana. "I feel perfectly safe," he chuckled. "I should like to stick long enough to collect the insurance."

Eneas was fleeing from burning Troy. "What a shame to leave!" he sighed. "I should like to stick long enough to collect the insurance."

Which teaches us that even the Trojans had the commercial instinct.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

STOCKBROKER WHO IS WAR MINISTER

Maurice Berteaux, Who Succeeds
Gen. Andre in Cabinet of Republic France.

NEW MAN SERVED IN ARMY

Has Been Hard-Working Deputy,
Too, One of the Socialist
Group, in the Chamber.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
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PARIS, Dec. 17.—Maurice Berteaux, the new minister of war, Gen. Andre's successor, is a stockbroker.

But his adherents proudly point out that some of his predecessors, the ministers, were much less martial than Berteaux. There was not Richelieu, the churchman, for example.

To be sure, the cardinal never took to himself the title; nevertheless, he directed the military administration from 1616 to 1617.

And that Berteaux is a stockbroker does not say that he will not be an efficient war minister. He is as familiar with the workings and needs of the army as with the dealings and tricks of the Bourse. He is of an age at once active and respectable, having been born in 1832 at Vincennes, in a villa that stands where stood Agnes Lovel's Chateau de Beauty, in which Henry V of England died.

Berteaux was educated extremely well in the Charlemagne Lyceum and the Normal School for the High Studies. He studied law, but, to please his father, married the only daughter of wealthy parents and entered the Stock Exchange. His colleagues on the Bourse have arranged his business until his son is ready to step into it.

When he was eighteen years old Berteaux volunteered and served in the defense of Paris. He now holds the rank of captain of artillery in the Territorial Army (Home Guards). His knowledge of finance and of military affairs has served him well in his political career.

He was elected mayor of Chaton, near Boulogne, where he lives, and this post opened to him the way for Versailles he now fills in the Chamber of Deputies. He has been a member of the budget committee of the ports and telegraphs, war estimates and general estimates committees. He prepared the bill for the two years' military service and reported on it.

This civilian war minister is far from being vulgar. He may be a little hurried and bustling in manner, and a trifle familiar in conversation—but has he not been on the Bourse for 22 years?

His friends love him no less unselfishly because he can give them good tips on stocks. He has great business shrewdness, but he is generous with his purse and open in expressing his sympathies.

He is a pleasing orator, with a sonorous voice; in his speech he is scholarly, but never pedantic.

War minister though he is, he constantly preaches that France must never forget that she has the most civilized working class on the face of the earth, which inherits its genius from genius most remote.

After four years and a half in the gorgeous war ministry, Gen. Andre returns to his modest flat at Faubourg. He takes with him the full-length portrait of himself, which hung in the red saloon of the Ministry where was Boulanger's portrait sixteen years ago. As Andre's portrait is too big for his dwelling the painting has been taken out of its frame and rolled up.

Perhaps Andre's son will marry an heiress. Should he succeed, the general's portrait will adorn his son's mansion. And he can say proudly to his sons:

"This was your grandfather—before Deputy Syveton slapped him."

For in the painting one of Andre's cheeks is no redder than the other.

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- Sugars and Creams—pairs—pretty shapes and designs...\$12.00 up
- Bonbon Dishes—unlimited variety of shapes and ornamental designs—from...\$2.00 up
- Coffee Sets...\$32.00 up
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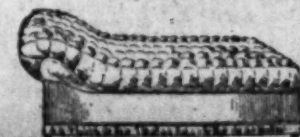
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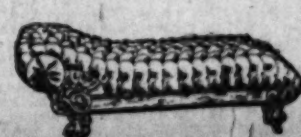
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Love Germs and Prof. Alja
Took Heart From Her.

CHILLICOTHE, O., Dec. 17.—Rogers' Cupid and all the marriageable girls in the country are laughing together in one grand, sweet, hilarious chorus.

"Ha-ha-ha!" whispers Cupid to the girls who are holding their plump sides, "Ha-ha-ha!" Prof. A. B. Crook is, indeed, to be

married. He is the truly good man who is so
 clared more than three years ago that he
 had never hugged or kissed a woman of
 girl. You will remember, he said, "the
 scientific atmosphere is inimical to the love
 germ; he had stoned to death the kissing
 bug with the rocks of the learned and
 mineralogy he teaches. The learned pro-
 fessor must have been neglecting his stud-
 ies lately, eh, my children? He has felt the
 brush of her curls against his cheek, he has
 looked into her inviting eyes, he has seen
 the blush, he has thrilled with the thrill
 of a woman like, he has kissed, he has
 been kissed. . . . years of life,
 he has learned a little, a few years of life,
 what Solomon, much, what glory, what

John Purdin, of this city announce the engagement of his daughter, Miss Florence Purdin, to Alja B. Crook, professor of geology and mineralogy at Northwestern University. Miss Purdin, a charming woman, is a teacher in the public schools here. Her fiance—Dan Cupid loves the word—her fiance is a native of Chillicothe; his father the Rev. Dr. Isaac Crook, is presiding elder of the Methodist conference.

man, as should be one who never has touched strong liquor, smoked or chewed tobacco, or hugged or kissed a woman or girl. He plays tennis well, just as he shines in all athletic games. Miss Purdin, lithic graceful, a fine American young woman plays tennis well, too. While they played they could not know that Cupid swung a racquet in the game. Rumor has it that the round, full moon was shining brightly over the love-germs swarmed in the lax night air.

When Prof. Crook awoke to find himself famous three years ago, the whole world wondered at him, though he insisted that he had never intended to pose as a public example, that he had only advised a student to do all he did: never to kiss, hug, swear

and so forth. But the whole world, particularly the women in it, discussed the professor. It is said that the Dowager Empress of China, old as she is, expressed a strong desire to see him. Women in Seattle and women in Calcutta wrote love letters to him. Now any woman who wears an engagement ring will tell you that it's a boy.

or glaces against that other candied chestnut, a kiss that he has hugged and kissed.

Huckleberry Finn.

"What is your nationality, pard?" asked the Baxter street bunko-steerer.

"Aa bin a Finn," replied the sailorman.

"Then you're my huckleberry," chirruped

the gleeful confidence man, as he took the jack tar into tow.—Houston Chronicle.

Was He Reformed?

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MUCH AT STAKE IN INDIAN CASE

Rights of White Persons Who
Married Into Cherokee Tribe
to Be Determined.

HEARING SET FOR JANUARY

If the Claimants Win There Will
Be 2000 More Persons to
Share Lands.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
VINITA, I. T., Dec. 17.—Information has been received from Washington to the effect that the case of the intermarried white citizens of the Cherokee Nation will come up for hearing before the court of claims on Jan. 17, 1905.

The Cherokees by act of their legislature provided that white men and foreigners desiring to marry Cherokees, Delaware or Shawnee Indian women citizens by blood were required to present a certificate from the county clerk, where the white man or foreigner last resided that he was a good citizen and was a man of moral standing in the community in which he resided; then to present a petition recommending that the clerk issue a license to him to marry a Cherokee, Delaware or Shawnee woman, the said petition to be signed by at least ten reputable citizens of the Cherokee Nation. Upon complying with these conditions and paying the clerk a fee of \$10 a license was then issued to the white man or foreigner to marry a Cherokee, Delaware or Shawnee Indian woman.

At one time the legislature provided that by paying \$500 for the license the white man or foreigner would be entitled to all of the rights and privileges of a Cherokee, by blood, but this act after two or three white men complied with it was repealed and the old law still stands. White women who married Cherokee husbands are claiming the same rights that white men who married Indian women claim.

When the Deeds Commission opened the Cherokee land office white citizens claiming rights to a share in the land applied for allotments; a roll of them had been made and there are now about 300 of the white persons claiming rights by intermarriage, but when a correct roll of them is completed it is believed that about 1000 of the claims will be cut off.

As soon as the land office was opened the Secretary of the Interior referred to the Court of Claims for an opinion the white persons in the Cherokee Nation, question of the right of the intermarried Later the Keotowah organization of full-bloods secured an enabling act for the Cherokee Nation to bring suit to determine the rights of these people. The Cherokee Nation, at the instance of W. Rogers, principal chief, intervened in the suit and was made a party complainant.

The intermarried white persons allege that the act permitting them to marry into the Cherokee tribe and permitting the Cherokee tribal courts to have jurisdiction over them permitted them to become citizens of the nation with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of the Cherokee Nation.

The case is one that is most important to the Cherokees, as a vast amount of land and tribal funds are involved in this case.

Greetings from the Union.



GREETING

WE, the Union House Furnishing Co., Franklin Avenue and Eighth Street, its officers and employees, individually, beg to extend their thanks to you for your patronage during the past year, and bespeak your good will and co-operation for the coming year.

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We are building our future on a foundation of honest business methods, and our efforts have been so thoroughly appreciated that it has been a source of gratification to us.

The extensive growth of our business necessitates many important changes, which are now being planned, and will shortly be announced. We also take this opportunity to thank our employees, whose portraits are shown herewith, for the faithful services and courteous treatment to our customers, which has contributed not a little to our success. We earnestly and sincerely extend to all our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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SITUATIONS WANTED-MALE

20 Words. 11c.

N-AN and WIFE—Place wanted by man and wife
at private family; man outside work and takes
care of house; woman housework. E. Canton, 11
477 Eaton av. (T)

N-Position wanted by intelligent, good-ap-
pearing man, 30 years, 5 ft. 10 in., 160 lbs.,
good standing. Ad. N. 48. Post-Dispatch. (T)

N-Sit: wanted by young man, 18 years, as
assistant book collector; references exchange
45 Labadie. (T)

N-Sit: by reliable, sober German as man
out place; understands cooking, general
housework. Ad. N. 49. Post-Dispatch. (T)

N-Useful all-around handy man about place,
either hotel, club or boarding house; by gen-
eral reference. Chicago. (T)

N-Sit: by man as house and window cleaner,
by job or day; best references. Ad. Y
Post-Dispatch. (T)

N-Colored man wishes to do housecleaning,
or 3 days each week. J. Warren, 2200 St.
Charles. (T)

N-Young man, English, desires position to
install furnace and work around house; refer-
ences. Ad. Y. Post-Dispatch. (T)

IAN—lit. wanted in office by young man w

—Wanted, position by young man, willing to do any kind of work, can furnish best references if required. Ad. T 50, Post-Dispatch.

—Position wanted in wholesale house by experienced young man with good education and good references.

At reference, employed at present. Ad. 1
Post-Dispatch.

est. in private industry; listed references. A. Y 86, Post-Dispatch.
 for board and lodging; do casual work;
 references. Ad. Y 86, Post-Dispatch.
 AND WIFE-Sits, wanted by German con-
 sulate; wife first class cook, man expert in steam
 and hot water heating. Ad. Y 86, Post-Dispatch.
 -Sitt, wanted by young man used to hard
 work; willing to do most anything; age 30.
 R. 56, Post-Dispatch.
 -Young man wants to do general housework
 private family. Ad. T 162, Post-Dispatch.
 -Sober, industrious young man, graduate in
 bookkeeping, experienced in clerical work, de-
 sires position in office; best of references. A.
 1729 Chouteau av.

AN—A young man wants work, west; good references and willing to work. O. A. G., 80

-Ambitious man of 27 wants position with possible firm; have business experience; ask German; good references. Ad. T 41, Post-Dispatch.
 -Situation by a man who is willing to work is handy with tools. Ad. T 120, Post-Dispatch.
 -Sitt. wanted by man; sober, handy with carpenter work, desires work, references, not said of it; references. Ad. T 82, P-D.
 -Sitt. wanted by man (student), any kind work during Christmas holidays, from about 6 to 4:30; some business experience. Ad. R 1 Post-Dispatch.
 -Situation by man handy with carpenter

tools; will take any kind of work. Apply Tri
1114 St. Ange av.

—Position wanted by man who can speak French, Italian and Spanish, but not English; can give direct references. Ad. N. 157. (7)
—Young man of 20 would like to take a position at Portland, Ore., fair; is not particular of kind of position. Address C. Collins, 47 Olive st.
—Experienced office man, at present employed as purchasing agent, desires to change to 1. Ad. J. 183, Post-Dispatch.
—Young man, 22, wants situation as apprentice to mechanical work in electrical engineering concern. Ad. M. 128, Post-Dispatch. (7)
—60 years old, wishes work, card or circular

distributing; any light work; Christmas close
need money; must work for living. Ad. R
Post Dispatch

—Young man desires position as helper or
acting engine room steam engine or boiler
or fireman. Ad. P 173, Post-Dis. (1)

—AGER, ETC.—RI. wanted as manager or
as man in country store; Arkansas preferred.
C. 7, Mass. Post-Dis. (1)

—Male graduate nurse and masseur open
engagement; excellent reference. Ad. P 120,
t-Dispatch. (1)

—S.—S. L. wanted by young widow, with child,
nurse. Ad. X 99, Post-Dispatch. (1)

—K.—Wanted, position as packer, can pack
thing; direct from New York. Ad. X 139,
t-Dispatch. (1)

PAINTER, ETC.—Sit. wanted by painter and paper hanger, with 20 years' experience; will take

TER-SIT. Ad. M 82. Post-Dispatch.
 TER-SIT. Ad. wanted painter; good allround
 work; will work reasonable. J. M. Painter, 1218
 1st av.
 TER-SIT. wanted by allround painter; 14
 yrs' experience; capable of taking charge; best
 references. Fred T. Borden, 2221 1st Avenue.
 TER-SIT. wanted by practical painter and
 decorator. In first-class hardware stores and
 k. reasonable; have references. Ad. T 150,
 Post-Dispatch.
 TER HANGER-SIT. wanted by practical pa-
 inter, painter and painter; very reasonable. All
 answered. C. H. Putney, 2878 E. 7th st.
 TER HANGER-SIT. wanted by paper hanger,

UMBER—Young man wants to learn plumbing

ER-Young, colored man, practical experience, Ad. N. 145. Post-Diampatch. P. 71

ER-Young, colored man, wants situation as porter, can give best of city references. Ad. N. K. 4425 Lucky st.

ER-Porter wanted as porter; call at re. 206 N. Broadway.

ER-Sit. wanted by colored man as porter. 2919 City. Ad. N. 145. Post-Diampatch.

ER-Sit. wanted by a first-class cylinder salesman. Ad. T 80. Post-Diampatch.

ER-Sit. wanted by Porter; union man; want printer of 20 years' experience; capable; wants steady place; capable of taking charge of plant. Ad. T 140. P.D.

INTER—Experienced printer wants sit. f. small shop on weekdays. 1300 Glessom.

SMAN-Sit. wanted by salesman, ex salary any line; best of references. Ad. W 7, Dispatch.

SMAN-Sit. wanted by thoroughly experienced grocery, wine and liquor salesman of recent approximate 10 years experience in St. Louis; strictly sober; best city reference. Ad. R 126, Post-Dispatch.

SMAN-Sit. wanted by experienced furniture company salesman; 7 years' experience. Ad. R Post-Dispatch.

SMAN-Situation wanted by young man; salesman. Ad. R 124, P-D.

SMAN-Reliable party going to New Or-

ans for winter desires saleable article to han-
le; salary or commission. Ad. W 57. Post-Dis

MAN—A first-class salesman open for position. I am most successful as salesman. Have highest references. Anyone interested. At please address R 183, Post-Dispatch. (8)

MAN—Position wanted in a country town. first-class clothing salesman; 20 years experience. 5 years with largest house in the can give first-class references. Ad. S 42, Dispatch.

WING CLERK—With best references. want location where hard work is appreciated. Ad. I, Post-Dispatch.

MAKER—Sty. wanted by colored shoemaker, class requiring; in or out of city. 2641 Pine

DOCTOR—M.D. wanted as advertising solicitor. 5 years' experience; ability to produce results guaranteed; would leave office. Ad. O. 165. R. D.

STOR. ETC.—St. wanted by reliable self-
sustaining collector; references furnished if
red. Ad. Salesman, 1043 N. Sarah st.

INTENDENT—St. wanted as surin-
ent or general foreman over structural iron
bridge work, also bridge and depot work. Ad.
H. P. D.

FRMAN—Colored man desires situation as
d washerman or wringerman in steam
dry. 2505 H. Charles.

CB—St. wanted as head waiter in club
or hotel, anywhere, speak 4 languages;
references. Ch. Busch, 1218 N. Jefferson
last floor.

WEEK, ETC.—Sit. wanted by colored man as
hotel waiter or houseman; good references. Ad.
No. 1011, 1012 N. 21st st.

HMAN-Young man, divorced watchman,
 ad. ref. references. Ad. R 142, P. D. (B)
 HMAN-Older man wants position as
 driver or for carpenter work. Ad. T 200
 HMAN-Sit. wanted as watchman; best
 references. Ad. R 55, Post-Dispatch.
 HMAN-I desire a position as watchman;
 ref. experience; best of city references. Ad.
 1814 Taylor av. (7)

VACATIONS WANTED-FEMALE
 70 Words, 25c.

DUNSTANT—situation wanted by young lady

KEMPNER—Situation by an experienced lady
expert; an AI person, quick and accurate
work; can furnish best of references; willing
work for moderate salary. **Ad. 2 24, Fair-
field.**

ROOMS WITH BOARD—CITY
14 Words, 10c.

SEVENTH ST., 100 N.—We are serving
dinner for 13c; table board, 25c.

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BUSINESS FOR SALE

14 World, 20c.

SALOON—For sale, best transfer owner in the city. Write from Union Station. Ad. B. 31, West-Dispatch.

SALOON—For sale, at corner of 8th and Pine, doing good business; 10-12 hours reason for selling.

SALOON—For sale, at a bargain, saloon, South Broadway; good work; 10-12 hours reason for selling.

SALOON—For sale, 22nd Olive; selling complete fixtures, stock; lease \$30; terms, \$75 down, balance \$30 month.

SALOON—Transferation owner, absolutely the best proposition ever offered run by the present owner 1 year; sales \$60 day guaranteed; big stock; 10-12 hours reason for selling; price \$1000 and a half a day; price \$1000; see this first and you will see it is the best.

SALOON—For sale, saloon; best location; good business; must sell at once; reasons. Ad. Y 10, West-Dispatch.

SALOON—For sale, first-class saloon and garden. Inquire Palma Garden and Buffet. 3228 Olive.

SALOON—For sale, saloon, 1526 S. Broadway.

SALOON and it rooms; Broadway; clearing out; 10-12 hours reason for selling. Call at the WORLD'S FAIR BROKERAGE CO., 908 Chestnut.

SALOON—For sale, good-paying saloon, doing business; winter garden attached. Call at the WORLD'S FAIR BROKERAGE CO., 908 Chestnut.

SALOON—For sale, saloon, Market at 24-room hotel, Pine. J. R. TIMBERMAN & Co., 1227 Olive.

SALOON—For sale, on Olive st., doing good business; price \$250; good reason for selling. Ad. B. 31, West-Dispatch.

SALOON—For sale, four living rooms; rent \$60 per month; cheap. Call at once; other business. 2063 S. Jefferson.

sale saloon, located on Grand

SALMON—For sale, downtown salmon and good, fresh, white fish, 100 lbs. at \$1.00; the city; light rationed for two months in advance; good stock; owner needs help; price \$900. **SALMON**—For sale, 100 lbs. at \$1.00. (U)

SALMON—For sale, salmon, located on Grand ave. will stand investigation. **F 127, P-D.** (U)

SAURAU—For sale, established 6 years; absolute cash trade; clearing \$45 per day; two boats and wagon rent \$10, including stable and 600 lbs. of feed. **SAURAU**—For sale, light homeopast all sheep or seal separate. (U)

SHOESHOP—For sale, shoe repair shop; good trade and good prices. 4003 Family st., near N. **SHOESHOP**—Good location, nice rooms; selling on account of sickness and old age. Enquire 2827 Broadway. (U)

SHIP—For sale, carpenter and bobbing shop; in central part of city; cheap. **Ad. It. B1, P-D.** (U)

STORE, ETC.—For sale, store and rooming house, 3000 W. 1st, near 1st; light homeopast all sheep or seal separate. (U)

STORE—For sale, cigar, notion, stationary store, 2420 S. Broadway; owner leaving; all equipment to be sold. 2420 S. Broadway. (U)

TAILOR SHOP—For sale, account of leaving city, 2420 S. Broadway. (U)

TAILOR SHOP—For sale, a little cash buys heat

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TAILOR BUSINESS—For sale, tailor shop, with all fixtures, good location. Ad. R. 78, P. D.
Post-Dispatch.

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For right party: saloons, eating room, & bowling alleys, & modern equipment for sale or lease. Furniture in home; see location. Ad. R. 78, P. D.

TAILORING BUSINESS—For sale, good location; in new building, splendid chance; ill-health. Ad. R. 98, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS WANTED
14 Words, 2c.

HARBOR SHOP WANTED—Good location; not less than three chairs. Ad. R. T., Post-Dispatch.

WANTED—AD. H. E. M. I. want to buy your cash; St. Louis or elsewhere. Ad. R. 40, P. D.

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BUSINESS WANTED—Have \$1500 or less to invest with services. Established business; no competition. Ad. 107, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS WANTED—I have \$500 cash and want good business opportunity (this or some other state) what have you for sale? state full particulars. Ad. R. 47, Post-Dispatch.

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 information that can make living.
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 DOWNTOWN cigar stand or good saloon; pay cash
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 cony worker. Will pay cash for work. How
 can do your work at once; address or call. A. R.
 150, Post-Dispatch.
 INVALID CHAIRS—Oscar Krause, 1547 N. Broad-
 way; maker of the best invalid chairs for cri-
 pple and lame. Write for catalogue.
 LADY from Louisville would buy respectable
 boarding house, not over 16 rooms; convenient
 location; electric heat; particulars here.
 LET us tell you how we can get a buyer for
 your business quicker than anyone else; write,
 please, to "The World's Fair" Exchange, Co.,
 906 Chestnut st.
 ROOMING HOUSE WANTED—Must be bargain
 on \$2000; good location; low price and rent.
 Ad. R 151, Post-Dispatch.
 NEW YORK Shoes Repairing Co., man's hair
 and shoes ladies' shoes.
 Good store or restaurant, where widow and
 daughter can make living; not over \$500; state
 here. Ad. Y. T. Post-Dispatch.
 WILL sell my house, with 1000 sq. ft. of public
 utility; buy outright any legitimate business;
 write or telephone; our representatives will
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of Elberton, Mo. by quickly if bargain! Describe in
full. Ad. Y 12. Post-Dispatch.

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never used; for sale cheap. Ad. 300, Post-Di.
REMINGTON, Smith, Oliver, Underwood typewriters
for sale cheap. Ad. 300, Post-Dispatch. St. Louis
Typewriter Exchange, 810 Olive St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

SECOND-HAND Bickensler, Ad. Box 1004,
city.

TYPEWRITER—New Smith-Fragment typewriter
for sale cheap. Ad. 304, Post-Dispatch.

TYPEWRITERS—We consider ourselves very
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Writing to have each machine earn something
we have concluded to make the very exceptional
offer of renting these machines at \$2.50 per three
months and allowing the rent to apply on the
purchase price of \$10 for one year.
The initial purchase price of the machines guaranteed.
If you wish you will take advantage of this
rental which is only in effect while this particular
rent for lasts. The Typewriter Exchange, 300 N.
Leach St., St. Louis, Mo.

TYPEWRITER—For sale, Chintory typewriter.

For sale, a new one; stands
only; five years. 1933 Model.

make; perfect order; fine case; \$100 Milwaukee.
TYPEWRITER WANTED—A good typewriter
in good condition and cheap. Ad. M
41, Post-Dispatch.

TYPEWRITER—Never used; \$20; bargain. Ad. O
268, Post-Dispatch.

TYPEWRITER WANTED—Second-hand. No
longer than 1917 model. Write to
J. P. WEATHERS all makes. 24-band, open in
trade on Rayburn; for sale or rent, bargain.
Call or write J. P. WEATHERS, 100 N. 1st St.,
St. Louis.

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100 N. 1st St., St. Louis.

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N. 1st St., St. Louis.

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14 Words, 20c.
TION-Wanted for adoption by couple who will give good home and girl between 8 and 10 and 6 years; references exchanged. Ad. Post-Dispatch.
WANTED-Woman without children, with good good home and best of care for child; references; references. Ad. Post-Dispatch.
ION-Fine baby boy for adoption; two calls. Ad. 1214 Lelandia, near.

TO EXCHANGE.
WANTED-To exchange, lady's gold mounted cabinet, making set. 715 13th st.
HAM-For sale or exchange, little used; Berlin.

WANTED-Exchange Regina music box as new, for diamond. 707 N. 19th st.
WANTED-Exchange National cash register for diamond watch. 150 North St., or sell. Tel. R. 1815 at.

WANTED-Exchange new Aquinas fur coat. Ad. O. 305, P.D.

WANTED-For exchange, high-wheel bicycle for a high-road for terrific climb in Wisconsin. Flat Rock.

INGE-Will exchange first-class dentistry electric wiring and sign painting. 1212 Olive.

NGR-Lady's suit for alford heater or dress led. 1212 Olive.

INGE-Photograph and records. What have Ad. Hollinger, 1863 Madison.

TURE WANTED-For exchange, Denver car for car. 1212 Olive.

NGE-To trade or sell, a \$2500 stock pipe merchandise in Dealer, Col. What have Ad. B. B. 10.

GLASSES WANTED-Exchange one pair of glasses for good pair field glasses. Ad. B. B. 10.

TURE WANTED-To exchange, gold-filled furniture or large room rug. Ad. 715 13th st.

TURE WANTED-Will trade for good car, 6-year-old thoroughbred mare, single tire driver; good size. 6004 Park.

ETIC-For exchange, strident driving horse, old, sound, saddle and harness, 2 harnesses, the violin, 3 elegant brass instruments, all set ring watch, one for diamonds, piano or what have you of Ad. V. 37, Tel. R. 10.

WANTED-To exchange, gold watch in exchange for organ. -4254 Finney av.

WANTED-To exchange, elegant gold for majestic range. Call 817 Holland.

ION WANTED-In exchange for phonograph call at 1863 Madison.

UN, ETC. Wanted, fine new guitar or guitar for shotgun, camera or sewing machine. F. Blaser, 3050A Glasgow pl.

CHANGER-Lot of patent medicines; what have you? H. A. 10.

WRITER-Wanted -For exchange, oil pictures or portrait work for typewriter. Ad. Post-Dispatch.

RE, BARBER, BAR FIXTURES
14 Words, 30c
BAR FIXTURES-For sale, chrome; 14 good pieces for W. L. 10.
FEET bought and sold at 911 N. 9th st.
GIES For sale, all highest references. 615 S. 6th st.

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14 Words, 30c
TER-Wanted, to sell territorial rights for mineral lands in Montana and Dakota; also salesman wanted. Brenner, 5001 University.

ES-Watson R. Coleman, registered patent lawyer, Columbia bldg. Washington, D. C. Adv. Terms low. Highest references. 219

ES-Advice free; all notary business. 116 Broadway, bldg. Tel. R. 10.

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WE WANTED—An author who has had experience in writing stories and feature articles, and who has also had experience in publishing and literary bureau, wants manuscript to edit, revise, correct and type-write for the publishers; circular letters also used and typewritten; satisfaction guaranteed. Ad. Y 130, Post-Dispatch.

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records; almost new; cheap. 2734 So.

PHONE.--For sale, large-star Columbia
hits and 2B records; cheap. 7161 Aldine.
PHONE.--For sale, Victor graphophone,
with 23 10-inch records; cheap.
Jefferson av.

ETC.--For sale, fine double-neck Wash-
ington piano; also mandolin and banjo. 4913
av.

ETC.--For sale, very fine rosewood
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S. Winter, Little Rock, Ark.

OX—For sale, large American female, brown,
no. 214 2108 AV, _____

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New Papal Distinction for Countess Spotiswoode-Mackin



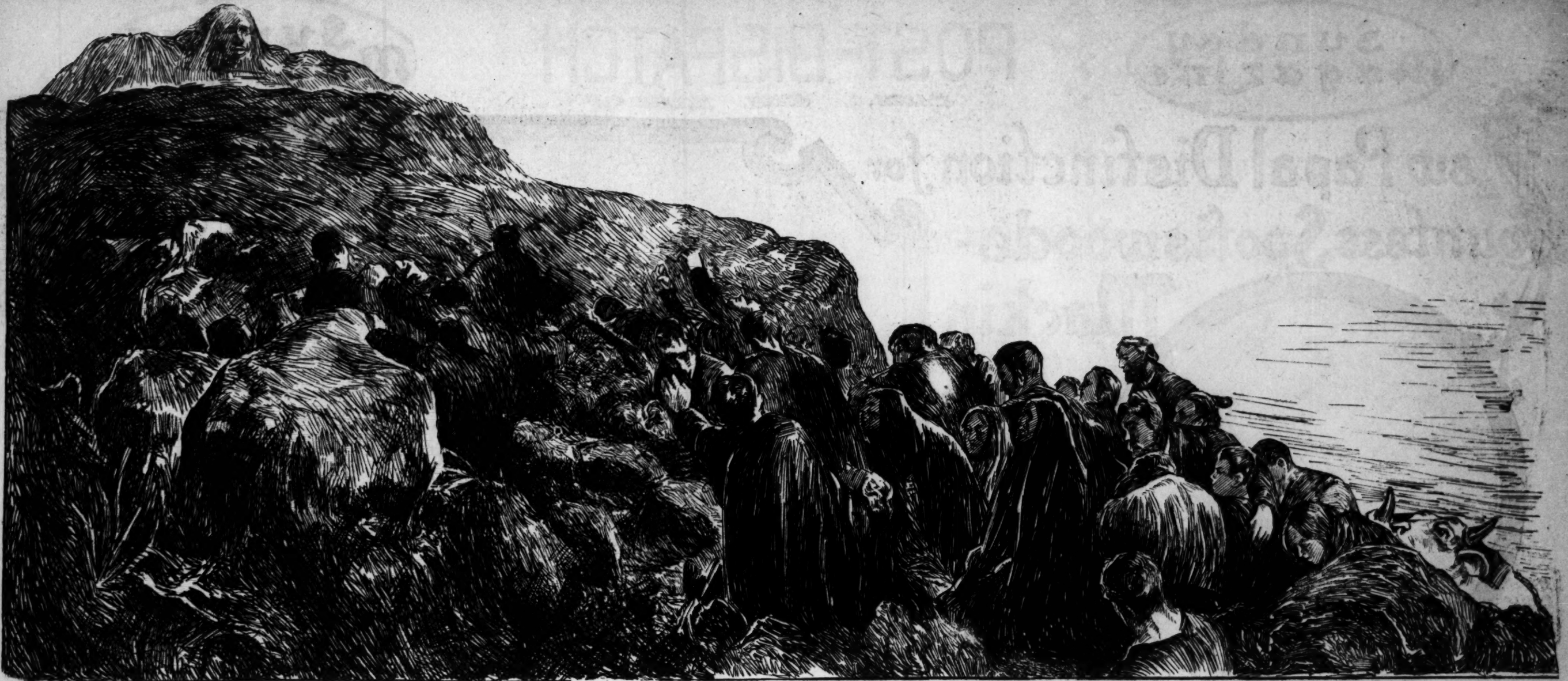
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"EMERANT STUDIO"
ST. LOUIS.

A ST. LOUIS WOMAN—Countess Spotiswoode-Mackin—who was prominent during the Fair, will be a notable figure at future productions of religious plays in the little Tyrolean town of Oberammergau, famous for the Passion Play illustrating the life of the Savior and reproducing the most striking scenes and characters incident to that sacred story. This is because the Vatican, which has already signally honored Countess Spotiswoode-Mackin in the past, has now delegated her to act as the Pope's special representative at Oberammergau. The Passion Play has always been produced in that community under the approbation of the Holy Father, and it has now been arranged that another sacred drama, based with equal fidelity on Holy Writ, shall alternate with the former, each being produced every ten years at five-year intervals from the other. The Vatican has taken interest in these new Oberammergau plans and has upheld the villagers of that deeply religious community in their refusal to give more frequent productions of the Passion Play or to "put it on the road" for material profit. In naming Countess Spotiswoode-Mackin as the Vatican's representative to receive and entertain visitors to these Oberammergau productions the Pope testifies alike to his approval of the performances and to his appreciation of a St. Louis woman's zeal for the church and her social qualification. Countess Spotiswoode-Mackin was formerly Miss Sallie Britton, daughter of the late James H. Britton, at one time mayor of St. Louis and for many years president of the old National Bank of the state of Missouri. She was born in this city and grew to be one of its most famous beauties, a belle of local society until her family removed to New York. Her marriage followed within a few years, and since that time she has been a distinguished figure in the capitals of Europe as well as in her native country.

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DO YOU remember a canvas that covered all the hanging space on one wall of a room in the Fine Arts Galleries at the World's Fair—a strange composition of purples, dull reds and yellows—a sunset reflection on a mountain side? It is called "The Sphinx" and Galileo Chini of Florence painted it.

The "old masters" painting pictures of the holy family, of Christ, of the Madonna, used their acquaintances as models, thus assembling medieval Germans or Italians in scenic compositions peculiar to ancient Hebrews. More modern artists used modern Hebrew types as models, until there grew a new school which abandoned all pretense of accurate scenic environment or correct costume accessory and painted Christ, his family, disciples and auditors as Belgian, Dutch, German, French or Italian peasants of the painter's own neighborhood. They brought the Divinity into the homely life they knew and made his appeal, his denunciation, his gospel personal to painters' friends and compatriots.

Chini has moved the Sphinx from its Egyptian sands and lifted it far from sight of the Nile to

Chini's Cynical Painting Which Might Serve as an Altar Piece in the Temple of Agnostics—All the World Trekking In Search of Truth Up the Rocky Mountain of Life.

an Italian mountain top. He does not accept the Sphinx as a fact; it is but a symbol of ultimate knowledge, of the truth that no man may gain in life, the inaccessible solvent of doubt. And struggling up the mountain—every face intent upon the sun-lighted face of stone—are all the men, women and children of Italy the painter knew, his companions in the journey up life's rocky way toward the stony face of Death.

WHAT animal walks on four legs in the morning, two at noon and three in the evening? That was the enigma of the Theban Sphinx that devoured all who were unable to answer, until Edipus said that man walked on his hands and knees in the morning of life, walked erect at noon, and in the evening of his days aided his feeble legs with a stick. Being answered the Sphinx devoured itself, the fable says, which, being interpreted, means that the enigma the Sphinx symbolized ceased to exist, as must all enigmas when they are solved. Although the painter has crowned his mountain top

with the Egyptian Sphinx, the significance of which is unknown to even the most learned students of the hieroglyphs, he uses the symbol in the Greek sense of riddle, problem, enigma.

In motive, his picture is a companion to Leempoel's "Destiny and Humanity." Its thought is the same deep problem of human destiny, seen with colder eyes, with more cynicism.

It has no prophecy, no hope to offer the struggling human. The setting sun brings forth the implacable stillness, the eternal dumbness of that stony face, stronger and stronger as the rays of reflected light gather beautiful color from the day's end. The heights grow steeper, the approach to the last plateau is vertical. There is no gaining speech with the mysterious face, and those who have struggled longest toss their hands in despair or fall into the arms of companions in whom native hope has not died.

It is the painter's humor that all the world is trekking in search of Truth. Like the mad Doukhobors who go forth to find Jesus, the world's people have gathered their herds and flocks and set forth to satisfy the heart's hunger.

"What is life?" they ask of the unreplying Sphinx. "What is the object of existence that grows out of darkness and so swiftly goes into darkness? We do not remember that which was before our birth, shall we know aught or be aught after breath has left our bodies? Is Death absolute, final, the end?"

They cry their questions from the plain, and it may be the wind blows away the answer or the sounds of men at labor dull ears that do not hear the blessed assurances. They try to get nearer the great face, within hearing distance of the lips that may speak. They go quietly over the grades that rise from the plains to the foothills and then, in the clear air of morning, they see the face is so near that the journey to it will be brief; but the sun sets and leaves them struggling up a steep, interminably long and difficult, with the face as far away as ever.

The light is dying, and those in the front fight for the first place where the path has grown narrow. One who steps out of the melee free to be first narrowly escapes the clutch of clawing hands that would drag him back. The path leads him down into a chasm, and he hopes that beyond the chasm will become a pass through the vertical wall of stone, above which is the plateau of the Sphinx.

Some are overborne in the rush and fall clutching at the rocks. Some fall from fatigue of the long ascent.

An old man sinks, dying, into the arms of his son, and around them kneel three women, daughters, who gaze dumbly at the sunset-lighted Sphinx, hoping that the old man knows, at last, what all this struggle and this sorrow mean.

Others succumb, but the mass goes soberly on, as if faith led them. They are above the cloud line, they are so high that surely they must be near the Truth. Does it not dwell on mountain tops, near the free stars and the illimitable heavens?

The cynicism of the painter makes a mock of hope. The bullock's eye is as full of understanding as the eye of man. The bullock realizes as much of the truth of existence as the man who has driven him up the mountain, as much as the woman kneeling by the dying father who gazes toward the ultimate height she may not reach and toward the lips of stone that will never answer her.

Chini used a myth as the basis of his sermon, modified it to a symbol of his own philosophy and painted the world as he sees it: struggling toward a bourne he knows naught of. It is an altar piece for the Temple of Agnostics. Only dry minds can have joy in it, only those in whom hope is dead, to whom faith is childish credulity, from whom charity may not flow. It is a gorgeous canvas to be glimpsed in passing through a gallery; it is a thing of skulls, a Golgotha when studied. Great in its painting, great in its breadth of treatment, but pitifully little in its lesson, as empty as the destroyer who does not build anew will ever be.

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War Horses That Shared Their Masters' Fame

Gen. Kuropatkin's Favorite Charger Gains a Place in History—Other Renowned Steeds of the Battlefield—As a Rule They Lived Long and Died in Peace.

THE stories of Gen. Kuropatkin's devotion to his favorite charger remind one of many a great soldier between whom and the horse that has carried him through long campaigns there has been an affection almost human in its intensity.

A famous case in point is that of Lord Roberts' gallant charger Volonel—the little gray Arab which carried its master so proudly in the Diamond Jubilee procession. Volonel had belonged in his early years to an Indian chief, and when Lord Roberts bought him he discovered that the Arab's tail had been broken in two places to produce a graceful caudal curve. When Queen Victoria awarded medals to her soldiers who had fought in the Afghan campaign and in the expedition to Candahar, Volonel was greatly but not undeservedly honored. Lord Roberts proudly hung around his neck the Kabul medal with four clasps and the Candahar star of bronze, and later the Queen presented him with the Jubilee medal.

At the advanced age of 23 the game little steed—he was only 14 1/2 hands high—was as playful as any kitten. He survived to see his 29th birthday, and "lies buried near the Royal Hospital, Dublin, in the rose garden."

Copenhagen, Wellington's famous chestnut charger, was only two inches higher than little Volonel. He carried his great master through the Peninsular war and bore him for 18 hours on the day of Waterloo. When his fighting days were over the little Danish horse was sent to Strathfieldaye, where he was tenderly cared for. His last days were somewhat embittered, it is true, by the misguided worship of thousands of his admirers who went to visit him—in fact, the nuisance became so great that the Duke was compelled to put him in a cage. When at last he succumbed to old age he was accorded an impressive funeral, and a tombstone was erected to commemorate his virtues and his loyal service.

An equally honored old age was that of the white charger Marengo, which carried Napoleon on the field of Waterloo. After his master's flight Marengo was found by an English officer wandering disconsolately on the battlefield, and he was sent to England, where

he spent many happy years in peaceful pastures and tended by reverent grooms. He survived Napoleon nine years and when old age and pneumonia combined to end his career his skeleton was sent for preservation to the Royal United Service Institution in Whitehall.

There has seldom, if ever, been a braver and more loyal war horse than Traveler, who carried his master, Gen. Lee, through scores of battles, and came through them all without a scratch. It is said that he whinnied pitifully when he followed the General's coffin to the grave; and it was not long after that, while grazing, a nail became imbedded in his foot and he died of lockjaw. Copenhagen bore Stonewall Jackson through ten fierce battles before the fatal bullet struck his rider. He survived, through an honored and lovingly tended old age, until 1886; and he may be seen today, stuffed and cleverly mounted, in a glass case in the library of the Soldiers' Home in Richmond, Va.

Gen. Washington had many horses who rendered him devoted service, and of whom he regarded with affection; but the most prized of them all was the brown charger which he bestrode at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. Hung with heavy mourning robes and led by a groom he followed the coffin of his dead friend and master to his last resting place. Gen. Sheridan's famous black war horse, Rienzi, long survived all the dangers of war and died, loved and mourned, in 1876. His body was mounted and is to be seen in the museum of Governor's Island, in New York Bay.

It seems to have been the fate of most of these famous horses to survive their masters. Such, however, was not the lot of Nellie Gray, the handsomest charger in all the Confederate army. Nellie, with Gen. Fitzhugh Lee on her back, seemed to bear a charmed life, so many were the dangers she escaped, until at last she fell in the very thickest of the fight at the battle of Winchester. Cincinnati, the most loved of all Gen. Grant's horses, was more fortunate than Nellie; for he survived all the horrors of the Civil war and died "as sincerely lamented as he had lived respected."

In the little town of Forlimpopoli, near Bologna, a memorial tablet is about to be unveiled in the Municipal Theater to the memory of a famous robber chieftain named Passatore. The reason why the theater is chosen for the home of his memorial is that in it was performed his most daring exploit. In September, 1854, while one of Rossini's operas was being performed in the presence of all the local beauty and fashion, Passatore and his band "held up" the audience and robbed them of all their valuables to the last penny.

Titles and Wealth of Russia's Czarewitch

THE little Czarewitch of Russia is destined, if he live, to boast more titles almost than he will ever be able to recite. He will be a Czar six times over; his ducal titles will far exceed a score; he will be hereditary Prince and Sovereign of the Princes of Circassia, Successor of Norway and so on through a glittering array of dignities, ranging from Emperor and Autocrat of All the Russias to the Lordship of Pleskoff.

He will be able to call a hundred palaces his own, though he will probably never enter half of them; his servants will be an army numbering over 30,000 people, and every year he will pay them in wages a sum almost sufficient to make a millionaire. His private estates will cover 2,000,000 more acres than there are in the whole of Scotland, and they will yield him a revenue for his own spending of over \$10,000,000.

Nor is his condition as an infant deserving of pity, unless one can feel sympathy for a baby who has a hundred cradles, of which the plainest is studded with jewels, at his disposal, and whose feeding bottles are of gold, while his layette is said to be more dainty and costly than the trousseau of many a queen.

The very doctor who brought this precious infant into the world added \$50,000 to his bank balance at the same moment; the presents which were lavished on the baby from every corner of the world are valued at many hundreds of thousands of dollars; and with such sympathetic interest is his little life watched by millions that it is said, "When the Czarewitch cries tears come to every eye in Russia."

The only European monarch who can boast of having a woman's regiment raised in his honor is the German Emperor. Some years ago, when the Kaiser was hunting in Prussia, 800 Lithuanian girls, tall and strong, formed themselves into a mounted bodyguard and offered their services as his escort. Their offer was accepted, but the number of the escort was reduced to 200. The uniform of the regiment was of navy blue cloth, trimmed with gold, and the effect was decidedly picturesque.

To read of an inhabited subterranean city seems strange, yet a place of this character actually exists in Galicia, Austrian Poland, and with a population, too, of over 1000 men, women and children. It is called the City of Salt Mines and has a town hall and a church. This latter has several statues, all of which are carved from rock salt.

Wonderful Cures by Scottish Bone-Setters.

Three Famous Osteopaths Now Astonishing the Scientific World—Practicing in the Colliery Towns of Lanarkshire—Their Curious Methods.

THE colliery towns of Lanarkshire, in Scotland, bid fair to rival Lourdes as a center of healing. Three famous bone setters are at work within a radius of five miles—Barker at Hamilton, Rae at Blantyre and Thomas Gilchrist at Wishaw.

The two latter are already long established, and Barker comes from London with a challenge to the medical world to prove that he cannot do what he claims. In Scotland the faculty is particularly industrious in ignoring their activity, but this does not in the least affect the faith they inspire in those who seek their aid. Patients by the hundred have traveled to the scene for weeks past, and Rae and Gilchrist have treated an unparalleled number of cases with what appears to be a very considerable success.

Rae is a bone setter pure and simple, and confines his work to the treatment of bone troubles. He is also the most popular of all, largely, it seems, because he is a totally unlettered man and claims nothing beyond the power to readjust disordered bones. Folk regard him with the faith which many extend to simples and herb waters—as a refuge natural to the level of their own life. Gilchrist, on the other hand, was in practice as a veterinary surgeon till his skill in curing human ailments opened a more lucrative business to him, and in addition to bone setting he claims to cure sciatica by a method of his own.

It is noteworthy, however, that their patients are by no means all drawn from the uneducated classes. The 17-year-old daughter of one of the members of a very large firm of confectioners in Glasgow is mentioned as one of Gilchrist's most notable successes. Disease of the femur had hold of her and the doctor in attendance failed to check it. It crawled to the joint and amputation was indicated—indeed, the date for the operation was fixed. The mother wired for the bone setter, who undertook to effect a cure. He was so completely successful that last year the patient walked to her wedding on two perfectly sound legs.

Some of the cures are sufficiently dramatic—indeed, of so striking a nature that one is tempted to doubt their permanence. At Rae's establishment many a patient who has had to be carried in has walked out an hour later. Crutches have been discarded and thick-soled boots abandoned. A strange feature of Rae's treatment is that he does not

admit the existence of diseased bone. People who come to him alleging that they have hip disease he treats for dislocation—or says he does. And among them some, at any rate, are none the less cured. So far as names go, the man's knowledge of anatomy seems to be contemptible, but where treatment is concerned one hears of practically no failures. He will occasionally refuse a case as incurable, and this in general is looked upon as evidence of his good faith—as showing that he does not attempt the impossible. Gilchrist's treatment of sciatica is also prolific in marvels. His method is his own discovery.

The Prison of Ten Thousand is the name given by the wandering Arabs of the districts across Jordan to the fortress monastery of Mar Saba, on the Dead Sea. Not many years ago there were actually 10,000 monks living in this grim and mournful retreat, and even today there are more than 1000 left. The monastery is one of the oldest, in the world, having been founded some 1300 years ago by Euthymius, and the monks pass their lives in everlasting penance. No woman is permitted to come within sight of Mar Saba.

Russia embraces one-sixth of the land surface of the world. It is more than fifty times larger than Japan, and has a total of 8,650,000 square miles. Half of Europe and the whole of northern Asia are included within its boundaries. It has a greater continuous area than any other nation in the world.

The state of Utah has established a holiday in honor of germs. It is called General Health Day and is the first Monday in October. On this day all theaters, churches, public halls, hotels, boarding houses, etc., must be thoroughly disinfected.

To encourage working people to establish homes of their own, Norway has founded a bank for working men. It lends money at 3 1/2 and 4 per cent, and gives the borrower 42 years in which to pay the loan. The total cost of the house must not exceed \$500, and the area of land must not be more than five acres.

England's bill for sugar to make into sweets is \$2,000,000 every week.

It is estimated that there are fully 1000 persons in England drawing larger salaries than the prime minister.

The Swedish town of Hafslanger has established a tax on all stout persons weighing more than 135 pounds.

Romance of the Blind Bride of Alton.



How Pretty Jeannette Ward Suddenly Lost Her Eyesight Just a Month Before Her Wedding Day, and How John Christman Refused to Abandon Her to a Lonely and Darkened Life—His Mother Urged Him Not to Marry, the Girl Herself Released Him, but He Stood Loyal and Steadfast—"I Love Her All the More," He Said, "Because She Needs Me the More."

His true-hearted John Christman of Alton, Ill., can have his dearest hopes fulfilled, he will some day stand beside his blind young wife and hear her glad cry announcing the restoration of her eyesight, lost just as they neared the day set for their wedding. If this is not to be, he will, instead, faithfully and lovingly guide her footsteps along her darkened path of life, shielding her as far as is possible from the isolation and loneliness that would otherwise be her fate.

For this John Christman, betrothed to the beautiful Jeannette Ward, refused to abandon her when she became suddenly blind, declined to consider his right of breaking their engagement, would not listen to his mother when she urged him not to marry a sightless woman, and, finally, rejected the girl's own entreaties not to sacrifice himself because of his obligation to her, entered upon when she was as other girls, clear of vision, happy, ready and able to bear her proportion of the burdens that might fall upon their shoulders as they traveled through life together. All these arguments he brushed aside and married Jeannette Ward because he loved her—loved her the more tenderly because she had become blind and needed his love the more.

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THE romance of the blind bride of Alton is a real-life romance of unselfish devotion. It proves that true simple faith still prevails. It proves that true love deepens and strengthens and holds the more steadfast the greater the need for it. It proves that old human nature is better and nobler than we are prone to believe. "I am blind!" cried poor Jeannette Ward to John Christman, her sweetheart. "You must not marry me. I release you. I am blind!"

"All the days of my life," replied John Christman, "I will be with you and cherish and protect you. I will not go from your side, lest you might come to harm. I am here, dear heart, though you cannot see me, and here I stay. It is because I love you."

That was his unflinching answer. They had been engaged for more than a year. They had known one another in picturesque Alton on the bluffs for years. Jeannette Ward was a pretty, buxom girl, blue-eyed and brown-haired, an orphan, still living in the family home at 924 Tremont street with her half brother, 18-year-old Walter Valentine. John Christman was a sturdy and manly young fellow, an engineer at the works of the Illinois Glass Co., living with his mother in Upper Alton.

He loved Jeannette almost hopelessly at first, for she was one of the beauties of Alton, vivacious, light-hearted, high-spirited—the sort of girl to number her admirers by the score and to enjoy gayety and attention. And there were those among her admirers far better off in this world's goods than John Christman. But, for all that, the young engineer was a plucky and aggressive suitor. Loving Jeannette Ward, he would do all that a man could to make her love him to return.

Girls like to be wooed in an earnest, downright, determined spirit. The first thing pretty Jeannette Ward knew she was falling in love with John Christman. The next thing she knew was that she must make up her mind whether or not she would marry him. Because he lost no time in asking her to be his wife. And then the easiest part of the whole proceeding was in confessing her love. Bless your soul, she could no more have refused him than she could have flown! Never a more truthful "yes" was spoken than that which came from Jeannette Ward's lips when John Christman had the temerity to ask her point-blank if she loved him.

As soon as the two sweethearts became betrothed the fact was announced to their friends. They were the ideal lovers of Alton. It was plain to see that each was devoted to the other. Of course, there was much quizzing on the part of their acquaintances, but deep down in every heart was a realization of the beauty of the little romance as happily approaching its culmination in marriage. And finally the date for the wedding was set. It should take place on Thanksgiving night, in Jeannette's home on Tremont street, and they would be married by the Rev. J. H. J. Rice, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Alton, of which the girl was a member.

Life stretched out ahead of them in a sunlit vista. And suddenly the shadow fell.

Two months or more ago Jeannette Ward noticed that something was wrong with her eyes. She was not specially alarmed—she had always been so strong and healthy that no thought of physical evil came to her—but it seemed to her that she could not see plainly. Things grew dim before her sight. Then, with this slight warning, the shadow became blackness. Jeannette Ward was blind.

Totally blind—unable to distinguish day from night.

And this was just one month before the date set for her marriage to John Christman.

"It has been a gradual weakening of the optic nerves," said Dr. A. G. Wilkinson. "The blindness has come on by slow but sure degrees."

The stricken girl reached out her hand and touched that of the man she loved. O, the comfort of that touch of hands! It must be that John Christman's steadfast soul felt what it meant to Jeannette Ward and was fortified in resolution and poignant tenderness.

For he has since stood immovable in unselfish faith. He was told that it would be a life-tragedy for him if he married a blind wife. His mother, Mrs. Sarah Christman, selfish for her son's sake, begged him not to make such a sacrifice.

"The sacrifice will be for me to give her up, mother," he said. "I love her more dearly now than I ever did before."

And thus he spoke to his friends. When Jeannette Ward herself told him that she released

him from his engagement, he took her in his arms and kissed her.

"You can't release me," he said, "because I refuse to be released. And if you break the engagement, I'll court you all over again and win you the second time. There's no parting us, Jeannette; you have got to marry me."

And he came very near having to make his word good and "court her over again," for Jeannette Ward, even because she loved John Christman so dearly, shrank from going to him blind. What might it not mean for his future—how terrible it would be if his own life was darkened and saddened by the darkness that had fallen upon her! But her loyal sweetheart laughed at her fears and overcame them and finally made her agree to become his wife on the day originally set.

So the wedding took place.

It was a touching ceremony. There were tears in the eyes of more than one who witnessed it. "For better or for worse"—aye, surely, for any fate that might come to them did this pair of true sweethearts promise to live life together. So did they respond to the preacher's solemn questions. "To love, cherish and protect till death do you part?" "To love, honor and obey till death do you part?" Yes, they promised these sacred things—and again Jeannette Ward stretched out her hand, sightless, and touched that of John Christman—and he placed upon her finger the wedding ring which, by God's will, she could not see.

"I pronounce you man and wife," said the preacher. "And whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

And then John Christman bent down and kissed Jeannette Christman on the lips. Hereafter, please God, he would do what he could to lessen life's darkness for his blind wife.

And the first thing he is doing is to employ the best professional skill for the restoration of her sight. It may be that there is a chance for her recovery. The optic nerves may be treated and strengthened until again they do their work and enable Jeannette Christman to see once more the world that suddenly grew so black before her. The doctors hold out hope of successful treatment. John Christman is determined that she shall have every possible chance for recovery. They are living in the old Ward family homestead on Tremont street, with every room and every foot of the grounds of which the blind wife is familiar, and where she can find her way about, though sightless. She is under daily treatment and the prayers of both husband and wife ascend in unison, asking that her sight be restored.

But whether or not this is to be, John Christman and his blind bride are happy in their love for one another. And their Alton friends are rallying about them closer and more loyally than ever, touched keenly by the tenderness of their romance. They are rightly regarded as the ideal sweethearts—the woman who would have accepted heart-break rather than be a burden to the man she loved, and the man who loved her the more and stood by her the more steadfastly because she needed his love the more.

Ship Rammed by a Whale

A GRAPHIC account has reached Liverpool of an encounter in the North Atlantic Ocean with a huge sperm whale, as a result of which the Danish schooner Anna was wrecked and had to be abandoned by the crew, who were rescued in an exhausted condition.

The Anna was making the voyage from Iceland to New Brunswick and was about twenty days out when a whale was seen spouting some distance in the offing. Shortly afterwards more spouts were shot upwards within a few hundred feet of the vessel, and the whale seemed to be angrily moving in a circle.

As the Anna sailed slowly past at a speed of about four and a half knots, her crew could easily discern the maneuvers of the monster, which lashed the water furiously with its tail. Suddenly it made a dash for the ship.

It came full tilt at a tremendous speed, and struck the vessel amidships with its head. There was a tremendous crash and some of the crew were thrown off their feet. A hole was stove in the side of the ship below the water line and the stem of the vessel was broken. The whale, however, had received its coup de grace. Its colossal carcass rose slowly to the surface, revealing two big gashes in its head and side, and from its wounds blood poured profusely, dyeing the water all around.

The vessel began to leak and all hands were placed at the pumps, but as the weather grew worse the ship commenced to sink. After 39 hours of continuous exertion, it was decided to abandon the Anna. A lifeboat was provisioned and manned and was on the point of being launched when it was noticed by the Johnston liner Quernmore.

It was early morning and a gale was blowing, but after several gallant attempts on the part of the crew of the Johnston lifeboat, the "whalers" were transferred to the Quernmore.

KINGS IN THEIR BUSINESS OFFICES.

ALL European monarchs have so much work of a purely business-like character to get through constantly that for the most part they find it necessary for its proper performance to adopt, for a time at all events, purely business methods and to regard themselves just as the heads of great commercial houses.

Thus King Edward, who is one of the busiest of them all, has at each of the royal palaces what is nothing more or less than a simple office, devoid of all the luxurious appointments that one might reasonably expect to find in the private apartment of the ruling head of Great Britain. "Business methods for business men" is King Edward's motto in this connection, and as on an average there are some 40,000 letters or official papers of one kind or another which demand either his attention or that of his secretary every year, the wisdom of it can be appreciated by the humblest commercial person. Whatever writing His Majesty finds it necessary to do himself is done in a quick, hurried style of penmanship, which in itself is a suggestion of the quantity of work he has to perform.

The King is most particular that all his letters and papers shall be arranged and filed according to an excellent system which is largely his own invention, and he never keeps any of them after the necessity for doing so has ceased. It is an instance of His Majesty's reluctance to accede to "plate rubbish," as well as his strict regard for secrecy, that every morning the contents of a large wastebasket are taken charge of by his private secretary, who is personally responsible for seeing that they are burned. He smokes hard while he is engaged on business matters, and invariably has a box of cigars and another of cigarettes at his elbow.

The Czar of Russia spends more time in his office—which is the name that he personally prefers to give it—than perhaps any ruler in the world, and since the war with Japan broke out he has frequently been engaged

Surroundings Among Which the Hard-Worked Monarchs of Europe Go Through "the Daily Grind"—Long Hours and Much Worryment.

in it with first one minister and then another from breakfast time until approaching midnight. Usually on these busy occasions, when there is no one else in the room but her husband, the Czarina sits quietly in a chair in one corner and knits or stitches at some fancy work whilst His Imperial Majesty gets on with his business. The room is simply furnished, with plenty of desks and cabinets of drawers, most of which come direct from London.

Of all the offices of Kings, that in which the King of Italy performs his daily task is the plainest and least pretentious. This arises partly from the fact that King Victor Emmanuel's tastes are of the simplest and his views on business matters very strict, and partly from the rigorous, Spartan method of his upbringing, in the course of which he was taught to go without everything that savored of luxury and comfort. He is at his desk every morning not later than 9 o'clock, and being such an early business man himself he cannot tolerate tardiness in others.

Not long ago he had occasion to notice that the work of one of the government departments was very much behindhand, and, wishing to find out why, he turned up at the office of the chief one morning at 9 o'clock. The first of the subordinate officials of the department did not put in an appearance until two hours later, and it was midday before the chief himself arrived. When he did so he was astonished to find the King himself at his desk doing his work. Needless to say, in the course of a day or two there were some important changes in that department gazetted.

But the Kaiser can beat his Italian brother monarch, for he is in his office arranging affairs of state when most of the other sovereigns of the world are still in bed; that is to say, he is customarily in the thick of it by 6 o'clock. He finds such early habits absolutely necessary if he is daily to accomplish the task which he sets himself, for on an average, besides signing innumerable documents, every one of which he reads himself, and holding countless conferences with ministers and chiefs of departments, it is estimated that he either writes himself or dictates an average of 20 letters a day.

The office of the King of the Belgians resembles nothing so much as the editor's room in a daily newspaper office. There are no "comforts" of any description except one big easy chair which has seen a great deal of service; but on tables and round the walls are many bulky newspaper files.

This state of affairs arises chiefly from the circumstance that His Majesty is very intimately concerned with numerous great enterprises of a commercial character, and that he has big dealings on the various bourses. Therefore the prices of the money market have a constant attraction for him, and he likes to keep all the newspapers by him for a year.

The Emperor Francis Joseph starts his business at 7 o'clock in the morning and gets it done early. King Carlos of Portugal hates the routine work of state, though, of course, he has to do it like other monarchs. It is said, however, that sometimes when a subordinate minister has repaired to his palace, prepared to discuss various matters with His Majesty in the course of an hour or two, the King has suddenly suggested that their time would be better spent in some form of exercise or sport, of which he is very fond, and a few minutes later the two might be discovered in eager participation of what the King had suggested.

Berlin's Woman Marriage Broker

MUCH stir was caused in Berlin society by a trial which took place at the Criminal Court recently. In the dock stood Frau Wilhelmine Hartert, who, for many years past, has been one of the most brilliant figures in Berlin society, in spite of the mystery surrounding her means of existence. In the handsome house which she possessed on the Magdeburger Platz, the salon was much frequented by officers of the Guards, for whom, in return for a monetary consideration, she was always ready to arrange wealthy marriages.

Among her clients was Lieut. Baron von Maltzan, whose debts amounted to \$15,000. By the help of Count von Koenigsdorf, the accused procured an introduction for the baron to the house of a consul-general, and he there made the acquaintance of Fraulein Rosenfeld, whom he subsequently married. For this introduction Baron von Maltzan signed a bill in favor of the accused for \$25,000, payable one month after marriage.

Another officer, Capt. von Ploetz, required a loan of \$1500, for which he had to pay the accused \$235 as commission. He also signed a bill for \$12,500 in her favor, payable whenever she found a wealthy bride for him.

In a third charge heard it appeared that Lieut. Baron von Nettelbladt, after getting into the clutches of Frau Hartert, found himself so hopelessly compromised that he blew his brains out. The usual cheap wine and trashy jewelry of the professional money lender figured prominently in the case.

The actual charge against the woman was usury, but the prosecution broke down on technical points, and she was acquitted.

The British Medical Journal suggests that "as luxuries should be taxed rather than necessities, a superfluity of fat, which is mostly the result of luxurious living, may not unfairly be regarded as a fitting object of taxation."

THE TRAGEDY OF JAN STYKA.



STYKA'S GREAT PICTURE, "ST. PETER PREACHING IN THE CATACOMBS," DESTROYED BY FIRE ON THE PIKE AFTER CLOSE OF THE FAIR.

JAN Styka, the great Polish painter, stood in tears beside his burned "Quo Vadis?" pictures on the Pike the second day following the close of the World's Fair his pathetic figure was the literal embodiment of the possibilities of relentless Fate. For the destruction of his famous canvases illustrating Sienkiewicz's novel was but the culmination of a series of calamities tending to make his recollection of the Fair the blackest of memories.

Assuredly the lines from Poe's somber "Raven," depicting "some unhappy master, whom unmerciful disaster followed fast and followed faster, till his song one burden bore," applied to Jan Styka with tragic force. Disappointment where there had been high hope, chagrin taking the place of expected triumph, neglect where acclaim should have been forthcoming, humiliation instead of honor—these were "the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" beneath which Jan Styka burst into tears as he contemplated the ruin of his "Quo Vadis?" pictures. It was all over. The hazard of the die had gone against him. He had thrown and lost. The story of his World's Fair experiences is that of a Destiny as malignant as it was inevitable.

FROM the very beginning the World's Fair enterprise of Jan Styka was swayed by the evil stars that surely must figure in his horoscope.

It was his intention to exhibit at the Fair the acknowledged masterpiece of his art life, his impressive "Golgotha," the great cycle of canvases illustrating the Crucifixion, a work which had made him famous throughout Europe when first exhibited a few years ago.

Mark how an adverse Fate crossed his heart's desire. A Pole by birth, blood inheritance, traditions and patriotic affection, his beloved native country had no national standing under the aegis of which he could exhibit his work as that of a Polish painter.

Loyally refusing to be heralded as a Russian painter, the Czar and the Czar's government, conquerors and oppressors of Poland, would have nothing to do with him, declining to approve his work, forbidding him a place at the World's Fair that might otherwise have been accorded in American compliment to Russia.

Living in Paris, and belonging to the art world of the French capital, he could not exhibit in the French section at the World's Fair because he was not a Frenchman by birth or adoption—honored though he was by France, he was nevertheless an alien. The paintings exhibited by France must be the work of French painters.

Signally distinguished by the Vatican, owing to the deep and sincere reverence of his treatment of the Crucifixion theme, Jan Styka turned to the Holy Father in his sore need. Alas! The Vatican exhibit would contain no paintings! He was a cherished son of the Church, but the scope of the outpouring of Rome's treasures at the Fair offered no place for Jan Styka, even though the story

How Evil Fortune, Culminating in the Destruction of His "Quo Vadis?" Paintings, Attended Him Throughout the World's Fair—Frustration of Plans to Exhibit His Great "Golgotha" Canvas—Humiliation and Disaster on the Pike—Russia, France and the Vatican Figure in the Story.

Father in person had expressed his approval of Jan Styka's work.

Thus it was that Jan Styka, a solitary figure, a man without a country, made lonely application to the World's Fair for a concession that would enable him to exhibit "Golgotha" to the New World. (And here again he was thwarted. For some reason the space necessary to his proposed exhibit was denied him. He must needs abandon all hope in this direction.)

Jan Styka was in despair. The great canvases comprising his "Golgotha" series of paintings had been brought from Paris to New York at much expense to their creator. They were held waiting his orders for their shipment to St. Louis. But they were never to come to the World's Fair City. Jan Styka telegraphed his New York agents to this effect, heart-sick and deeply despondent.

But he himself remained in St. Louis, wistful, hoping in despite of hope deferred, and still encountering daily difficulties and humiliations. His first agent in St. Louis was a certain Mr. Stone, succeeded later by Mr. Louis Bernard, a custom-house broker on the World's Fair grounds. For a time Jan Styka took up his quarters with Bernard. Then, for a little while, he was the guest of Mr. Mortimer A. Newhouse of 5431 Cabanne avenue, the oil portrait of whose daughter, Miss Pearl Newhouse, painted by Jan Styka's marvelous 14-year-old son, Tade Styka, was reproduced in colors by the Sunday Post-Dispatch. From the Newhouse home Jan Styka returned to the Bernards, but later stopped at the Usona, a hotel in the West End.

It was in the midst of these changes and uncertain moves that he was urged and finally consented to make

another art exhibit than that he had originally contemplated. His cycle of 15 paintings illustrating Sienkiewicz's novel, "Quo Vadis?" would be substituted for Golgotha. These paintings were already in St. Louis.

And they were acknowledged by critics to be work of a high order of merit. One of the most striking of their number, a great and impressive scene now destroyed by the Pike fire that followed so soon upon the closing of the World's Fair, was that which depicted St. Peter preaching to the persecuted Christians in the Catacombs of Rome, following the burning of the imperial city, which, though done by Nero's command, was charged to the hated followers of the Nazarene. This painting showed St. Peter exhorting his little flock to courage and confidence, shut up in the underground dungeons of the Catacombs and awaiting death by torture.

The moment chosen by the artist is that in which St. Peter thus preaches: "O, ye of little faith, have ye forgotten the teaching of the Master? Death, ye think, is before you? Nay, life. Torture and writhing? Nay, joy and ecstasy. Not into slavery shall we go forth from this prison, but into everlasting freedom, where, for night and blackness, the splendor of God shall enfold us. Forget not that they that sow in tears shall reap in joy!"

These "Quo Vadis?" paintings Jan Styka finally determined should be exhibited at the World's Fair.

But, O, the mockery of the nature of their exhibition!

They were made a Pike show, cheapened, degraded, tainted with the trickery and fakery of the Pike. It was urged upon Jan Styka, an artist who had won fame in the Paris Salon, that he must compete with the Pike by employing Pike methods. He must have "backers," "spies," "ballyhoos," out in front of the place on the Pike where his beloved paintings were exhibited. There must be "something doing" out there to catch the passing throngs and draw them inside.

A bevy of "native" Oriental dancing girls were engaged. These girls frisked and ogled, and cymbals clashed and Egyptian drums beat to attract the attention of the crowds. "Quo Vadis, Domine?" read the solemn line that gave the title to Jan Styka's World's Fair exhibit of genuinely reverential work in art—and Pike fakery, as attendants upon the exhibit, made a desecration of it. The great mass of those who went in to see the Styka pictures had no intimation of the high quality of the work. It was a "Pike show" to them, and nothing more—was it not advertised by Pike methods and accompanied by all the tawdry accessories of the Pike?

So did Jan Styka and his "Quo Vadis?" exhibit figure on the Pike, the artist cut to the quick in every nerve of his sensitive nature, quivering under the hurt, recognizing too late what a ghastly blunder had been made, powerless to avert the churlish shame that had come upon him. It would be difficult to imagine anything more pathetic than this "Quo Vadis?" exhibit of Jan Styka's on the Pike.

The whole thing had been a tragic mistake—a mistake possible to any artist seeking representation, without powerful friends or national backing, at a World's Fair, yet appalling to such a soul when full realization of its meaning was reached. Jan Styka paid in heartaches for the error of judgment.

But at last the World's Fair reached its close. The Styka paintings illustrating Sienkiewicz's great religious novel were taken from their places on the walls of the tawdry little concession. They were carefully and lovingly rolled and covered by the artist and his assistants. They would be returned to the Old World, there to regain their lost dignity and proper place in art. Thank heaven, it was all over!

And then, in the hurry and bustle and confusion of the dismantling of the Fair, the final blow fell on Jan Styka's head. A sudden, mysterious and disastrous fire swept through a portion of the Pike the night following the close of the Fair. The "Quo Vadis?" pictures, valued at \$75,000, were in the path of this fire and were burned or damaged to an extent that means their ruin. The next morning the curious visitor to the scene beheld a mournful picture. It was that of Jan Styka standing within reach of his beloved paintings, the tears streaming down his face, his fingers trembling, fearful to touch the smoking and shriveled canvases that signified calamity to their artist owner. There was nothing of the Pike in this pitiful picture.

It was a tragedy instead—the art-tragedy of the World's Fair.

LITERARY WORK DONE UNDER SHADOW OF DEATH

THE calm courage of Gen. Lew Wallace, author of "Ben-Hur," in steadily writing his autobiography in a race with death from an incurable disease, directs attention to similar bravery and fortitude on the part of other famous literary men. There are few finer examples of the heroism of the study than that presented by the late Prof. Finsen, the discoverer of the light cure for lupus, who died so recently. For the last 20 years of his too short life he suffered from painful diseases of the heart and liver, to which dropsy was super-added, and it was only by daily self-denial and the strictest of dieting that he was able to live.

Yet for all these years, lived in the very shadow of death and in constant suffering, he stuck bravely to his great life work, even studying his own diseases with the keenest attention and writing articles on them for medical journals. The last two or three years of his life were spent lying on his back, unable even to be carried to his beloved institute a few yards away; yet the lion-hearted scientist never relaxed for a single day his gallant fight for his fellow men against disease.

The heroism of the Danish professor reminds one of a similar brave battle waged by an English professor, J. R. Green, the historian, against disease and pain. It was in 1869, when the disease which had assailed him for many years finally prostrated him, and when the doctors gave him no hope of living more than six months, that Green set to work to write his famous "Short History of the English People." Day after day he toiled at his task, holding desperately on to life and in a state of ceaseless pain and exhaustion; and so brave was the man's spirit that he actually prolonged his life for five years. Even he was bound to confess, "I wonder how in those years of physical pain and despondency I could ever have written the book at all."

Gen. Grant's autobiography, which brought his widow the enormous sum of \$200,000, was written under even more trying conditions than Green's history. In 1864,

The Case of Gen. Lew Wallace Has Many Famous Parallels—Prof. Finsen Wrote Articles Describing His Own Fatal Disease—Great Books Produced by Dying Authors.

the year before his death, the ex-President found himself bankrupt through the failure of a bank in which he was a partner, and face to face with the prospect of dying penniless and leaving his wife destitute. It was at this terrible crisis that he began to write the story of his stirring career for a firm of publishers. But the cup of his misfortune was not yet full. A cancer formed at the root of his tongue, and the gallant soldier, already doomed to death, was compelled to write day after day, suffering constant and severe agony. He completed his colossal task just four days before the merciful end came, having thus performed in his study and in his bedroom an act of heroism which has never been eclipsed on any field of battle.

Mrs. Browning, too, one remembers, wrote most of her beautiful poems "confined to a darkened chamber, to which only her own family and a few devoted friends could be admitted, in great weakness and almost unintermittent suffering, with her favorite spaniel as her companion."

The German poet Heine was another martyr and hero of the study. The last seven years of his life were spent on his "mattress-grave" racked with such excruciating pain that he had to take doses of opium large enough to have killed several men in order to give him a few blessed hours of freedom from it. Through all these years of torture he not only bore himself with a noble resignation and cheerfulness, but produced many of his

finest and most finished works, including his "Last Poems and Thoughts" and his "Confessions."

Sir Walter Scott's heroic struggle with misfortune and failing health during the closing years of his life is perhaps too well known to call for more than mention. After the commercial crash which left him crushed with debt and with shattered health, he set to work "with wearied eyes and worn brain" and toiled for years, often as much as 14 hours a day, until the end came, and with it the lifting of all burdens, including that of his debts, every penny of which his monumental toil had paid.

Who does not recall how for years Edna Lyall literally kept death at bay by her brave spirit and her busy pen; how Mr. Clark Russell has preserved a bright spirit and set a magnificent example of patience and industry while on "the daily rack of rheumatism," and how much of Sir Arthur Sullivan's sweetest music was distilled from pain?

Some people suppose that Gretina Green is no longer in existence. It has simply changed its latitude and longitude. Its name is now Windsor, and it is a Canadian town in the province of Ontario, close to the United States border. It was recently stated in the Provincial Legislature of Ontario that no fewer than 800 marriages were celebrated in Windsor during the past year. The great majority of the happy couples had hastily crossed the border from the adjoining states.

Some idea of the vast quantities of discarded war material thrown upon the general market by the successive changes in armament adopted by the various great powers may be gathered from the lists of arms now offered for sale from this cause by the Italian government. The list includes 600,000 rifles, adopted so recently as 1887, with 48,000,000 cartridges; 1200 nine-pounders and 500 seven-pounder guns, with 200,000 shells, and 170 seven-pounder mountain guns, with 17,000 shells.

A Permanent Seashore Bathing Beach for St. Louis



Real Sea Sand, Real Salt Water, Real Ocean Surf, Are Its Attainable Attractions—White-Capped Waves May Be Produced by Submarine Machinery—Unique Project to Make St. Louis a "Seaside" Summer Resort.

IT IS now possible for St. Louis to add to its summer attractions by the construction of a permanent salt-water bathing resort along novel and attractive lines. Real sea sand, real salt water of a depth sufficient for swimming, real ocean surf, are among the features believed to be feasible in putting this project into execution. The experiment has already been successfully tried in Cincinnati, though on a smaller scale than may be compassed in St. Louis. There are no insurmountable obstacles in the way in this city. The ground necessary for the purpose should be easily obtained in the western Forest Park suburbs. The full details of the project, as set forth in the following article, have already been discussed and approved. It only remains for a determined effort to carry the scheme through to triumphant conclusion.

Railroad companies running from the coast to St. Louis have already been approached. When the scheme was explained to them they agreed to carry free an entire train load of sand from Cape May to this city to be used in making the artificial beach. Engineers who have gone over the plans say the production of an artificial surf is entirely feasible at small cost, and that the mixing of the water salt with sea salt, as well as of the maintenance of a steady supply near the River des Peres, are simple matters.

IN THE discussion of this project which has already been indulged in, the fact of the ease with which it may be successfully put into execution has been plainly recognized. The cost of the undertaking is not prohibitive. The advantages accruing from the possession of such an attraction would be well-nigh incalculable. It is plainly seen that St. Louisans, though living a thousand miles from the ocean, may nevertheless be provided with a permanent seashore where people can revel in the delights of sea bathing, sun themselves on the sea-sand beach, watch the children with tiny spades and buckets digging "pirates' caves" along the shore, and, altogether, have just as good a time as if they had journeyed to the Atlantic coast.

Plans showing the possibilities of the project have been formulated. It is feasible to construct a picturesque lagoon 1500 feet long and 1000 feet wide with a sandy beach running down into the water. The beach itself may be 600 feet wide, whereon children may disport themselves or paddle in the shallow water, while bathers plunge into the surf or rest themselves by basking on the sands in the glorious Missouri sunlight.

At one end of this oblong bathing pool would be situated

the bathhouses. At the other would be a mighty waterfall, 100 feet high, breaking through rocks and forming cascades and rivulets on its way to join the lagoon below.

On the fourth side there could be an elaborate seascape, flanked by rocks and trees, giving the impression that the lagoon is a diminutive bay or inlet, opening out into the mighty ocean itself. This scenery, it is pointed out, might be painted by Mr. Austin, the artist who prepared the beautiful scenery in the "New York to the North Pole" attraction, and who has given his opinion as an expert, that a "permanent seashore" for St. Louis is easily possible. The water will at no place be of greater depth than seven feet, and it will decrease in depth as it approaches the beach.

And the surf? Well, there is where the most ingenious conception of all is brought into play. There will be a surf, yes—a surf that rolls in, white-capped, and breaks against the beach, sending its volume of water far up along the shining sands. Into and over these waves, before they break, the bathers may dive, just as if they were at the real seashore, and be knocked and rolled about by the surf. What will produce this surf? Why, nothing more nor less than an astonishing contrivance of invisible revolving screws, based on the principle of the propellers of Atlantic liners, great motive forces that beat against the water and send it from them in long waves toward the beach, combing and rolling until they break and foam over the sands, and then retiring again, precisely as do real ocean waves. The mechanical problems involved in this plan have all been studied and solved and it is known that the scheme for producing surf is entirely practicable.

A machine for producing surf-waves in otherwise still water has just been invented by Herr Hofrat Hoeglauer, a German scientist, who has only recently fitted up a swimming place in Munich, supplied with his contrivance. The wave maker is situated at the deep end of the bathing pool and consists of a large wedge-shaped instrument worked by an electric motor. The waves are made to rise to a considerable height and Herr Hoeglauer announces that with more powerful machinery this can be done on large sheets of calm water. About 18 waves come rolling in per minute and break in surf at the shallower end of the pool, which is 45 yards long by six wide, tapering gradually into an excellent imitation of a natural beach.

As to other problems accompanying the enterprise, all have been carefully considered and provision made for the successful working of the scheme from beginning to end. The water in the miniature ocean will not stagnate, it is pointed out, because there will be a constant flow into the River des Peres, though not sufficient to make an appreciable current.

It is also proposed to line the concrete bed of the lagoon with sea salt, so as to make the delights of inland sea bathing still more complete. The sand, of which at least one entire trainload will be used, will probably be brought from the seacoast free of charge, by the railway companies entering St. Louis from the East. The problem of the salt water supply, already mentioned above, is one of the easiest to be solved. Sea salt is a common article of commerce. It may be purchased in packages at any drug store, the cost is slight, and, in such quantities as will be necessary to this project, it would decrease to almost nothing. Already any person living inland may have a salt water bath in a tub at home by the use of the sea salt purchased

at drug stores. In addition to the concrete bed of the lagoon being lined with sea salt, a quantity of the salt will also probably be dissolved regularly in the water to bring its briny qualities to the full ocean standard.

"The immense advantages of such an amusement resort from the hygienic point of view need scarcely be pointed out," says an advocate of the plan. "Many business people of St. Louis are interested in the project, knowing that it will mean a great influx of visitors all through the summer months. The impulse given to trade will be enormous. Every one will benefit. The railway companies will, of course, fall into line with cheap excursions from outlying districts and we hope to make transit facilities of every kind. If there have been 18,000,000 admissions to the Fair grounds this year, I see no reason why we may not anticipate, say 15,000,000 admissions during our season, because people, instead of coming once or twice, will come every week. The townspeople will turn out regularly as soon as the attraction becomes a habit. New York's great playground at Coney Island is visited very Saturday and Sunday by 250,000 people. There is hardly a family in New York and Brooklyn that does not make up a party for Coney Island at least twice every summer, and I don't suppose there is a New Yorker who does not go each year to see what novelties are being offered. It has become the habit of the New Yorker; why should not St. Louis have its Coney Island, with its 'habitual visitor'?"

Sea bathing is one of the favorite prescriptions of the medical fraternity, on account of the exercise it involves, the fresh air and the healthful action of salt water. St. Louisans will have these benefits without traveling a thousand miles and more to obtain them. Swimming is considered one of the most perfect of exercises and one which uses the muscles of the body more completely than any other, and yet probably not more than 5 per cent of the population of St. Louis know much of the art. England, being exceptionally situated geographically, claims that nearly 30 per cent of her inhabitants can swim. Every British city has its public bathing establishments, either in the open air or inclosed within a building. Every town has a water polo club, and the annual competitions between these swimming associations are as keenly watched as football and cricket matches.

Doctors recommend bathing as a cure for catarrh and bronchial troubles, and it is a remarkable fact that throat troubles, especially catarrh, are almost unknown along the coastline of England.

Elaborate diving and springboards could be erected on the rocks at the deep end of the lagoon, and there should be a raft from which bathers may dive. Special instructors could be in constant attendance to teach the would-be swimmer his strokes. Dummy figures might be provided with which swimmers may practice life saving.

In fact, nothing should be left undone to make the place the most original and the most delightful of pleasure resorts. It would be the only thing of its kind in the world, and St. Louis would have reason to be proud of its possession. Cincinnati, it is true, has a bathing pool on a small scale, but there has been no effort to carry out an extensive seashore illusion such as is now proposed for St. Louis.

It is probable that international swimming competitions would be seen at the St. Louis bathing beach, and to this end the beach should be equipped with every conceivable



apparatus. Aquatic sports of all nations might be one of the features arranged during the season, extending from May to November.

But while the resort would be one to appeal particularly to expert swimmers, it is as a children's playground that it

would probably become famous. Little Missourians would be able to compete in sand castle building with their coast-born cousins, or burrow like rabbits to their heart's content. The ocean bathing beach project promises these things.

How to Become a Centenarian.

According to an English Authority, One's Diet Must Be Restricted and Simplified After Passing Middle Age—Beware of Rich Food and Drink.

THE recent Sunday Post-Dispatch story of "Old Tete," the 107-year-old Pueblo Indian, who was a Pike attraction at the World's Fair, arouses a renewed discussion of the subject of what method of life tends most potently to longevity.

That 100 years, instead of threescore and ten, should measure the normal span of life is the opinion of a prominent English surgeon and physician, who does not speak from theory, but from the experience of three generations of patients and from his own life. Although 84 years old himself, he says that by following certain rules of living he still enjoys the world as when he was young; that he is still free from the stiffness which generally comes with years and that his joints are "as supple and mobile as they were in youth."

The views of this man are received with a great deal of respect in England, for he is no other than Sir Henry Thompson, the oldest member of the Royal College of Surgeons. Sir Henry is also known on the Continent almost as widely as at home, and in Belgium he is especially noted, being the surgeon extraordinary to the King of the Belgians and a Commander of the Order of Leopold. His honors, medals and prizes may be numbered by the score.

Sir Henry's advice to all those who wish to be centenarians is summed up in the word "diet," and in a book called "Diet in Relation to Age and Activity," he shows how not only a man's age, but his temper, his pleasures, his fortunes and even his spiritual nature, are made or marred by the food he eats.

Many of Sir Henry's doctrines, however, deal a hard blow to the majority of men and to the old-fashioned belief that "as a man gets older he should live more heartily." The popular theory, against which he takes an end-on, is thus defined in his own language. It is the "belief that when age arrives we may indulge in

that extra 'support' which the feebleness of advancing years is supposed to deserve. The little luxuries hitherto forbidden, now suggested by the lips of loving women and tendered in the confidence of affectionate hands, are henceforth to be gracefully accepted, enjoyed and turned to profit in the evening of our declining years. The extra glass of cordial and the superlatively strong extract of food are now to become delicate and appropriate aids to the enfeebled frame."

Such a doctrine, the writer says, is all wrong. Such a mode of living shortens, he says, rather than lengthens life. It is in the years of growth and activity that rich food and stimulating beverages may be disposed of with the least injury to the constitution, for then the effluvia of the body is at its height. On the contrary, when the system becomes old and less vigorous it cannot grapple with such foods and drinks. Like a weak garrison, it is overcome by a too powerful attacking force. In old age, he says, "the flow of blood cannot be driven into any semblance of youthful torrent by the temporary force of stimulants, nor is it with impunity to be overcharged by the constant addition of rich elements which can no longer be utilized." Accordingly, as a man's vitality decreases, says Sir Henry, the quantity and richness of his food should decrease.

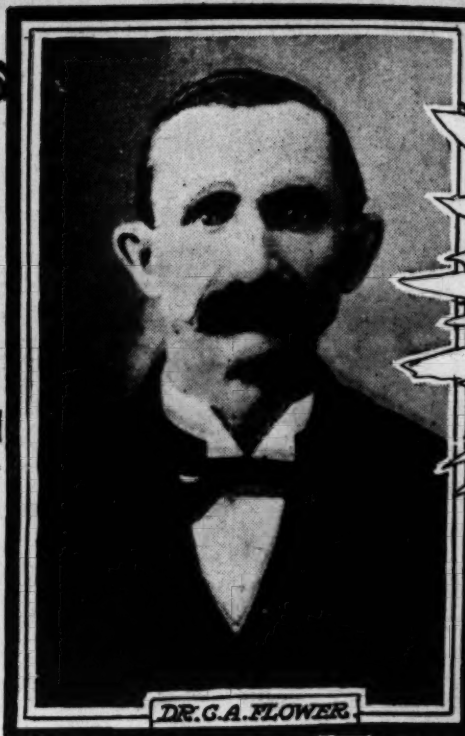
The King of Portugal, who is about to pay a visit to King Edward, is a great favorite in England. His marriage to Queen Amelie was quite a romance. After Don Carlos attained his majority he was looked upon as one of the most eligible parts in Europe, and every princess of a Roman Catholic house was mentioned as his prospective bride. His fate was, however, sealed in the most unexpected manner. One day he saw a portrait of Princess Amelie d'Orleans in the drawing room of the Comtesse de Ferronaye, and was so struck with her charming appearance that he begged for a letter of introduction. He started for Paris almost immediately, and the happiest of marriages was the result of this impulsive action.

Cats are taxed in Dresden and other German towns. When the tax was first imposed thousands of the animals were destroyed by owners desirous to avoid payment.

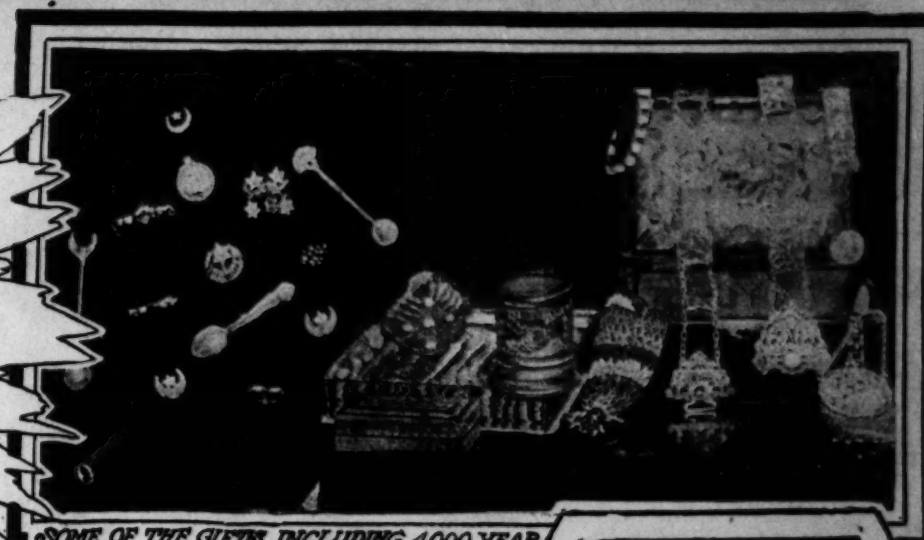
How THE RAJAH REWARDED DR. FLOWER FOR SAVING HIS LEG WHEN A BOY.



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THE RECOGNITION OF DR. F.
AT THE ST. LOUIS FAIR.

Strange Story Begun at Columbian Exposition Finds Astonishing Climax at World's Fair--Grateful East Indian Nobleman Honors American and Invites Him to Distinction in the Orient--Initiated Into Weird Mysteries of Ancient Secret Orders--An Arabian Nights' Experience.

HIS is a strange true story of two World's Fairs--the Louisiana Purchase Exposition which has just closed in St. Louis and the Columbian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago. It tells of the lasting gratitude of an Indian Rajah for a great service rendered by an American on the Midway of the Chicago Fair eleven years ago. This gratitude found its convincing expression at the St. Louis Fair. The Orient and the Occident mingle in the remarkable tale, the atmosphere and incidents of which are singularly picturesque. It is one of the most astonishing stories developed by the L. P. E., prolific as was that enterprise in the development of real-life stories that were stranger than fiction.

LISTLESSLY one afternoon in 1893 Dr. Albert C. Flower, a dentist of Kittanning, Pa., stood in a crowd watching a troop of Egyptian camel drivers putting their beasts through their tricks at the entrance to the "Streets of Cairo" at the World's Fair in Chicago. In the crowd was a little boy dressed in rich Indian attire, with the white turban of a high caste Hindu. A camel became unruly, and, starting to bolt, planted its immense hoof on the foot of the little Hindu boy. The child fell to the ground with a cry of pain and became unconscious.

Dr. Flower picked him up, carried him as directed by other Hindus who were present, into a building in the Midway Pleasure, and did all that was possible to relieve the child's sufferings. A physician who was called in advised immediate amputation of the injured foot, but Dr. Flower, although not a surgeon or a practitioner of medicine, expostulated with such good results that the foot was treated with a view to saving it, and in a few days had so far improved that there was no further fear of any permanent injury.

Dr. Flower was by this time being showered with compliments and gratitude by the attendants of the little Hindu boy, who was on a visit to the Fair. They offered him a large fee for his services, which he refused on the ground that he was not a regular physician. They insisted on his giving them his name and address, however, and promised to see that he should be rewarded in some way as soon as the father of the boy, who, they said, was an Indian Rajah, should hear of the incident. Pleased, but expecting to hear nothing further of the affair, Dr. Flower accepted their exuberant gratitude and departed for home, having no more substantial memento of the affair than a small silver medal, engraved with strange characters, which, he was told, would insure him great honors if he ever presented it to a high caste Hindu.

From that day until a few weeks ago the Hindu boy and his grateful attendants were but a memory in Dr. Flower's mind. But on the 12th day of November the happenings of 1893 were vividly recalled to him by an advertisement in the Pittsburg Dispatch of that date. It read as follows:

PERSONAL.--If Dr. Adelbert Flower will come to the India Department at the St. Louis World's Fair before Nov. 22, 1904, the man who receives the C. Star will be pleased to confer a message and personal reward for the great service done for the son of Tipu Sahib on Midway at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893. Myder Ali.

Dr. Flower's name is Adelbert, though he has come to the habit of signing it C. A., or sometimes C. Adelbert. He knew that the advertisement was meant for him, for the name of the little Hindu boy whom he assisted at the Chicago Fair was Tipu. At once he went to St. Louis, and, following directions as given in the advertisement, called at the India Department building. From that moment until Dr. Flower again reached his home in Kittanning, Pa., a series of events transpired that read in the recounting like a story from the Arabian Nights or some other volume concerned with Oriental mysticism. Dark-shrouded men, perfumed rugs, occult symbols, the beating of drums and rooms dimly lighted, strange vapors and chanting speeches clamored together in Dr. Flower's brain for coherent arrangement and he has not even yet succeeded in

entirely straightening them out. But, in the main, his adventures were something as follows:

As he entered the Indian building and announced his name an air of suppressed excitement came over all there: A tall Hindu, wearing on the front of his turban a large silver star, saluted him and asked for the medal that had been given the doctor 11 years before in Chicago. On presenting this the Hindu, without further ado, conducted the American into an inner chamber, where, seated on a divan, was a tall, bearded man, richly dressed, in Indian robes, much bejeweled. On Dr. Flower's entrance this man rose and welcomed the American with outstretched hands, saying:

"Do you remember the little boy whose foot you saved, years ago, in Chicago? I am he. But now I am the Rajah Tipu Giartho, come to the leadership of my people through the death of my father. I offer you all homage in my power and would make you the most honored of my household."

The astonished American heard all with silence. Then the Rajah presented to him the Maharajah. She, however, instead of being dressed in Hindu attire, wore beautiful garments distinctly Egyptian in tone. Noticing the doctor's surprise at seeing this the Rajah explained that his wife was an Egyptian of noble birth, whom he had wed

in Cairo and whom he allowed, to please her, to retain her Egyptian mode of dressing. She had her own Egyptian attendants, while he relied on servants of his own race. But they were very happy, and the Egyptian and Hindu elements seemed to mingle without the least trouble.

That night there was a great feast in the Rajah's apartments, at which Dr. Flower was the guest of honor. Curry powder, ground from spices in the presence of the royal host, kernels of rice an inch long, chutney that made the newly killed chicken melt in the mouth, durians, succulent and pungent mangoes from the royal orchard outside of Mysore, India--these were some of the things that graced the board and tickled the palate. It was a drowsy, sleep-inspiring meal, eaten to the accompaniment of soft, low music from behind a screen. And at its close, over the

fuming hookahs and thick, black coffee, Dr. Flower could scarcely believe that he was not in the land of dreams.

Then came time for the Maharajah to retire. Dr. Flower was left alone with the Rajah and the man who wore the C. Star on his turban. The latter rose, inspected the room to see that there were no listeners, and then the Rajah announced to Dr. Flower that he was about to be received into sacred Hindu rites that would make him all-powerful and on a par with the noblest of the Buddhist rulers of the Orient.

An altar was disclosed through parted curtains, and behind it the wearer of the C. Star took his stand. Other Hindus and some of the Egyptians were ushered into the chamber and the doctor was bidden to kneel before the altar, on which was set a large figure of the many-armed god Vishnu. Strange rituals in Hindustanee, with the re-

sponses chanted in low tones by the others, were gone through by the high priest, the wearer of the C. Star. The doctor was asked to take an oath that he would adhere to the pledge exacted of him to keep all that he heard and saw secret. He assented and was given a silver medal. Then, after being sprinkled with sacred water from the holy river Ganges, he was led out and taken to a hotel where he spent the rest of the night.

Next day a Hindu called for him and took him again to the Rajah. Another feast, and then more rites. This occurred for three days in succession, and then Dr. Flower was told that he had received every mystic honor in the power of the Rajah and been put through the ritual which made him a member of the most holy and secret councils of India.

Symbols of this honor were given him, including a gold master's seal, with engraved signature of the Rajah Tipu Giartho. Another was a beautiful cane, inlaid with many pieces of gold, and another was a golden drinking cup, said to have been taken from the Pyramids in Egypt, and to be thousands of years old. Then there was a wonderful shawl which weighed only four ounces, diamond brooches, belts of strange workmanship, and many unsel jewels.

"But these ceremonies were not the end," said Dr. Flower, in describing his experiences. "I was also with the Sphinx, the Pyramids and the Nile. They called me the Holy Man, the Good Man, and asked me to learn Hindustanee, so that I could come to India and enjoy more fully the honors which they had given me. They had made me, they said, more exalted than any white man before me, and I really believe that if I accept the Rajah's offer and take up my residence in the East I shall find my way clear to a rather easy life."

Concerning this offer, Dr. Flower has already accepted their request to learn Hindustanee, and a member of the Rajah's household will soon go to Kittanning to give the doctor a complete course of lessons. He will also instruct him in Indian medicinal secrets, the study of poisons and their cures, and other things necessary to the pursuance of a medical course in India, as the Rajah wishes the doctor to become his physician there.

The Rajah has now returned to India, but is awaiting Dr. Flower's visit to his kingdom.

Dr. Flower has had rather an eventful life, as he was at one time the private dentist to Victor Emmanuel, father of the present King of Italy.

He has traveled extensively and has a large fortune. His wife has conditionally consented to the plan laid out by the Rajah Tipu, and in all probability the Flowers will, within a few months, bid good-by to America and become residents of the Imperial household of the Rajah.

A romantic story is told about how the Rajah came to marry an Egyptian instead of one of his own race and caste.

One of the men who assisted Dr. Flower in saving the Rajah's leg was an Egyptian of high degree who was doing the Fair at Chicago. A friendship grew up between this man and the noble youth which resulted in mutual invitations to visit. On his way home the Indian had again met the Egyptian at Cairo and made a lengthy visit at his palace. Later, in 1900, the Hindoo Prince was again traveling, this time as a Rajah, and he stopped again in Cairo to see his friend. While there he saw a beautiful girl's face at the theater, and through his powerful friend negotiations were started for a marriage.

The Rajah went to Paris and left his love affair in the hands of his friend, who promised him a sure victory. Not all of the excitements and gayeties of Paris were able to turn the man's thoughts from the unknown at Cairo. He met beautiful women at the embassy balls and in the homes of the high dignitaries of all climes, but his eye glanced at a veiled face in Cairo had won his heart. Finally there came a letter from Cairo telling him that the maiden was his for the asking, and cutting short his visit in Paris and cancelling all engagements he hurried there. Met by his friend and conducted to a palace, a meeting took place, and an international marriage that brought great rejoicing to the followers of the Rajah in Mysore was soon formally consummated. That is why the star and crescent are so largely worn in a certain part of India, where before the image of Buddha had reigned supreme.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD, ENGLAND'S GREAT ADMIRAL

The Accepted Type of the British Sailor, He Is Tremendously Popular--What He Has Done for His Country's Navy--Comes From Good Old Irish Stock--His Exploits in War.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD stands, with the common consent of the British Navy, as the true type of the British sailor. His breezy personality, his cheery courage, his indomitableness in a campaign, have made him a favorite ashore as at sea. If he had had no other magnetic virtues, his downright earnestness would have made him a national figure in an age when the gospel of efficiency, however little it may be practiced, is preached day and night everywhere.

Nobody who saw Lord Charles Beresford go down one day to the House of Commons and ask for 70 ships that would cost \$100,000,000 is likely to forget it. Not even the House of Commons had spoiled this fighting scion of a fighting house. He was not afraid of its comfortable contentment. The strongest force in the world needed strengthening, and Lord Charles Beresford asked for 70 ships. He had preached efficiency to My Lords at Whitehall, and he gave up his post at the Admiralty to preach efficiency to the House of Commons.

The Secretary to the Admiralty laughed in his face. The House of Commons laughed too. But within thirteen weeks the Secretary of the Admiralty had his Naval Defense Bill in his hand, and within thirteen weeks more the Naval Defense Bill--involving an expenditure of \$107,500,000--was passed by the House of Commons. Lord Charles Beresford had not had his choice of 50 seats in Parliament for nothing.

He has the proud satisfaction today of a command in a navy which owes much of its formidable power to him, and he will use his power, should necessity come, with valor becoming his house. Fighting tangles in the blood of the Beresfords. They have been, for generations, among the governing families of Ireland. Long before any Beresford now living was born a Viceroy crossed St. George's Channel and found a Beresford "filling a position greater than the Lord Lieutenant, and virtually King of Ireland." There was a Beresford with Sir Thomas Moore at Corunna, he who, an admiral in the disguise of a peasant, protected the British at Nice in the French revolution and himself captured two French ships; and there was a Beresford, too, who crossed the Egyptian desert for British arms in 1801 and helped to take the Cape from the Dutch in 1806. Irishmen can hardly walk about in Dublin without thinking of this brave house, for it was a member of it who gave Dublin Sackville street and opened up its greatest thoroughfares. Even in peace the Beresfords have found the least

peaceful posts of all; when the Church of Ireland was disestablished, there was a Beresford at its head.

Lord Charles has the spirit of his race. His fame has grown naturally out of his daring as a sailor and his fearlessness in public life. He has lived the strenuous life, has stirred the dry bones, has done more than any other man now living to popularize the navy. Outside the navy he has been its best friend, as inside it he is one of its best tacticians.

He has profound faith in the fleet and those who know him well speak with confidence of the ships under his own command. Lord Charles is among the greatest masters of tactics in battle, and has his own conceptions of tactics, which, it is said, are characteristically novel. He believes in the British navy as the best navy on the seas.

If that is so, the credit of it is largely due to Lord Charles himself. It was not always so. That was a striking thing which Lord Charles Beresford told a Frenchman when soldiers were still pouring into South Africa in tens of thousands:

"In 1858-9," he said, "if you had had the man, and if the circumstances had been favorable, you Frenchmen could have defeated England without any alliance. I say this to you--I, a British Admiral. * * * England thought war no longer possible, and we all went to sleep."

The old order changeth, yielding place to new, and out of the fleet of 1880 has come the fleet which, in Lord Beresford's words, is "capable of beating the combined fleets of Russia, Germany and France." Not that he is impatient, having the power of a giant, to use it as a giant. Lord Charles' motto is that "strength is peace." This broad-shouldered, strong-built man, with a stern-set face, which burls defiance at regulations, is first of all a man of peace, if peace can be kept with honor. The cost of the navy, he is fond of saying, is England's insurance money.

He is a man of brain and action. He was sent to sea, a delicate boy, he tells his friends, to see if the strong air would put strength into him. It did. He is a child of the sea. The oceans of the world are very near to him; you can almost hear the waves in his veins. He has not lived upon the sea since he was 13 without catching something of its soul. He is wide and big and free, without the restraints of petty rules and little visions which grow in cooped-up cities and within narrow walls. He is, in a word, the natural man, doing the

natural thing. The regulations of the navy were under a severe strain when the commander of the Condor took his gunboat into range at Alexandria, but the Temeraire was aground and Lord Charles Beresford forgot the regulations. He could no more remember them than Nelson could see with his blind eye. So the Condor--with no more than three guns--with no armor deck and her sides not even bullet proof--ran out to silence Fort Marabout, the second fort in Alexandria. It was one of the things which make men wonder if they dream. "You must be mad, sir!" said one of his officers when Lord Charles gave orders to engage the fort, from which one shot might knock his gunboat into splinters.

Mad it was, no doubt; but it was the madness which triumphs. "Of course," Lord Charles has often said in telling the story, "if one of them had happened to hit us there would have been an end of the story. But they didn't and a miss is as good as a mile." For two hours the Condor went on firing, and at the end there was not one effective gun in the fort. We have heard of Admiral Seymour's signal until it has become famous; but the "Well done, Condor!" which went up before the whole fleet was the recognition of an act of gallantry as truly great as any that has been achieved in war.

Nor was the silencing of Fort Marabout the only contribution Lord Charles Beresford paid to the building up of the new Egypt. When the fighting was over and Arabi Pasha sent his Arabs to storm the Khedive's palace and kill every person there, the counter move fell to the commander of the Condor, who went ashore, enabled the Khedive to escape and set up a system of police of which one authority said that "no such work has ever been done with such complete absence of violence."

The more naming of Lord Charles Beresford's achievements would fill more space than can be given to them here. The rescue of Sir Charles Wilson and his party, when wrecked on the steamer had been repairing for 24 hours under fire from the enemy's fort. Lord Charles had command of the Naval Brigade with Sir Herbert Stewart in his last march across the desert, and was the only man left alive of those in immediate charge of the machine guns at Abu Klea. And the Commander of the channel fleet is prouder of nothing than of the three medals he has for saving lives.

A jeweler in Turin has made a tiny boat of a single pearl. The hull is finely shaped and might serve as a model for a racing sloop, the sail is of beaten gold, studded with diamonds, and the binnacle light is a perfect ruby. An emerald serves as its rudder, and its stand is a slab of ivory. Its weight is less than one ounce, and it is said to have cost \$5000.

A Permanent Seashore Bathing Beach for St. Louis



Real Sea Sand, Real Salt Water, Real Ocean Surf, Are Its Attainable Attractions---White-Capped Waves May Be Produced by Submarine Machinery---Unique Project to Make St. Louis a "Seaside" Summer Resort.

IT IS now possible for St. Louis to add to its summer attractions by the construction of a permanent salt-water bathing resort along novel and attractive lines. Real sea sand, real salt water of a depth sufficient for swimming, real ocean surf, are among the features believed to be feasible in putting this project into execution. The experiment has already been successfully tried in Cincinnati, though on a smaller scale than may be compassed in St. Louis. There are no insurmountable obstacles in the way in this city. The ground necessary for the purpose should be easily obtained in the western Forest Park suburbs. The full details of the project, as set forth in the following article, have already been discussed and approved. It only remains for a determined effort to carry the scheme through to triumphant conclusion.

Railroad companies running from the coast to St. Louis have already been approached. When the scheme was explained to them they agreed to carry free an entire train load of sand from Cape May to this city to be used in making the artificial beach. Engineers who have gone over the plans say the production of an artificial surf is entirely feasible at small cost, and that the making of the water salt with sea salt, as well as of the maintenance of a steady supply near the River des Peres, are simple matters.

IN THE discussion of this project which has already been indulged in, the fact of the ease with which it may be successfully put into execution has been plainly recognized. The cost of the undertaking is not prohibitive. The advantages accruing from the possession of such an attraction would be well-nigh incalculable. It is plainly seen that St. Louisans, though living a thousand miles from the ocean, may nevertheless be provided with a permanent seashore where people can revel in the delights of sea bathing, sun themselves on the sea-sand beach, watch the children with tiny spades and buckets digging "pirates' caves" along the shore, and, altogether, have just as good a time as if they had journeyed to the Atlantic coast.

Plans showing the possibilities of the project have been formulated. It is feasible to construct a picturesque lagoon 1500 feet long and 1000 feet wide with a sandy beach running down into the water. The beach itself may be 600 feet wide, whereon children may disport themselves or paddle in the shallow water, while bathers plunge into the surf or rest themselves by basking on the sands in the glorious Missouri sunlight.

At one end of this oblong bathing pool would be situated

the bathhouses. At the other would be a mighty waterfall, 100 feet high, breaking through rocks and forming cascades and rivulets on its way to join the lagoon below.

On the fourth side there could be an elaborate seascape, flanked by rocks and trees, giving the impression that the lagoon is a diminutive bay or inlet, opening out into the mighty ocean itself. This scenery, it is pointed out, might be painted by Mr. Austin, the artist who prepared the beautiful scenery in the "New York to the North Pole" attraction, and who has given his opinion as an expert, that a "permanent seashore" for St. Louis is easily possible. The water will at no place be of greater depth than seven feet, and it will decrease in depth as it approaches the beach.

And the surf? Well, there is where the most ingenious conception of all is brought into play. There will be a surf, yes—a surf that rolls in, white-capped, and breaks against the beach, sending its volume of water far up along the shining sands. Into and over these waves, before they break, the bathers may dive, just as if they were at the real seashore, and be knocked and rolled about by the surf. What will produce this surf? Why, nothing more nor less than an astonishing contrivance of invisible revolving screws, based on the principle of the propellers of Atlantic liners, great motive forces that beat against the water and send it from them in long waves toward the beach, combing and rolling until they break and foam over the sands, and then retiring again, precisely as do real ocean waves. The mechanical problems involved in this plan have all been studied and solved and it is known that the scheme for producing surf is entirely practicable.

A machine for producing surf-waves in otherwise still water has just been invented by Herr Hlofat Hoglauer, a German scientist, who has only recently fitted up a swimming place in Munich, supplied with his contrivance. The wave maker is situated at the deep end of the bathing pool and consists of a large wedge-shaped instrument worked by an electric motor. The waves are made to rise to a considerable height and Herr Hoglauer announces that with more powerful machinery this can be done on large sheets of calm water. About 18 waves come rolling in per minute and break in surf at the shallower end of the pool, which is 45 yards long by six wide, tapering gradually into an excellent imitation of a natural beach.

As to other problems accompanying the enterprise, all have been carefully considered and provision made for the successful working of the scheme from beginning to end. The water in the miniature ocean will not stagnate, it is pointed out, because there will be a constant flow into the River des Peres, though not sufficient to make an appreciable current.

It is also proposed to line the concrete bed of the lagoon with sea salt, so as to make the delights of inland sea bathing still more complete. The sand, of which at least one entire trainload will be used, will probably be brought from the seacoast free of charge, by the railway companies entering St. Louis from the East. The problem of the salt water supply, already mentioned above, is one of the easiest to be solved. Sea salt is a common article of commerce. It may be purchased in packages at any drug store, the cost is slight, and, in such quantities as will be necessary to this project, it would decrease to almost nothing. Already any person living inland may have a salt water bath in a tub at home by the use of the sea salt purchased

ble at drug stores. In addition to the concrete bed of the lagoon being lined with sea salt, a quantity of the salt will also probably be dissolved regularly in the water to bring its briny qualities to the full ocean standard.

"The immense advantages of such an amusement resort from the hygienic point of view need scarcely be pointed out," says an advocate of the plan. "Many business people of St. Louis are interested in the project, knowing that it will mean a great influx of visitors all through the summer months. The impulse given to trade will be enormous. Every one will benefit. The railway companies will, of course, fall into line with cheap excursions from outlying districts and we hope to make transit facilities of every kind. If there have been 18,000,000 admissions to the Fair grounds this year, I see no reason why we may not anticipate, say 15,000,000 admissions during our season, because people, instead of coming once or twice, will come every week. The townspeople will turn out regularly as soon as the attraction becomes a habit. New York's great playground at Coney Island is visited very Saturday and Sunday by 250,000 people. There is hardly a family in New York and Brooklyn that does not make up a party for Coney Island at least twice every summer, and I don't suppose there is a New Yorker who does not go each year to see what novelties are being offered. It has become the habit of the New Yorker; why should not St. Louis have its Coney Island, with its habitual visitor?"

Sea bathing is one of the favorite prescriptions of the medical fraternity, on account of the exercise it involves, the fresh air and the healthful action of salt water. St. Louisans will have these benefits without traveling a thousand miles and more to obtain them. Swimming is considered one of the most perfect of exercises and one which uses the muscles of the body more completely than any other, and yet probably not more than 5 per cent of the population of St. Louis know much of the art. England, being exceptionally situated geographically, claims that nearly 30 per cent of her inhabitants can swim. Every British city has its public bathing establishments, either in the open air or inclosed within a building. Every town has a water polo club, and the annual competitions between these swimming associations are as keenly watched as football and cricket matches.

Doctors recommend bathing as a cure for catarrh and bronchial troubles, and it is a remarkable fact that throat troubles, especially catarrh, are almost unknown along the coast-line of England.

Elaborate diving and springboards could be erected on the rocks at the deep end of the lagoon, and there should be a raft from which bathers may dive. Special instructors could be in constant attendance to teach the would-be swimmer his strokes. Dummy figures might be provided with which swimmers may practice life saving.

In fact, nothing should be left undone to make the place the most original and the most delightful of pleasure resorts. It would be the only thing of its kind in the world, and St. Louis would have reason to be proud of its possession. Cincinnati, it is true, has a bathing pool on a small scale, but there has been no effort to carry out an extensive seashore illusion such as is now proposed for St. Louis.

It is probable that intercollegiate swimming competitions would be seen at the St. Louis bathing beach, and to this end the beach should be equipped with every conceivable



apparatus. Aquatic sports of all nations might be one of the features arranged during the season, extending from May to November.

But while the resort would be one to appeal particularly to expert swimmers, it is as a children's playground that it

would probably become famous. Little Missourians would be able to compete in sand castle building with their coast-born cousins, or burrow like rabbits to their heart's content. The ocean bathing beach project promises these things.

How to Become a Centenarian.

According to an English Authority, One's Diet Must Be Restricted and Simplified After Passing Middle Age—Beware of Rich Food and Drink.

THE recent Sunday Post-Dispatch story of "Old Tete," the 107-year-old Pueblo Indian, who was a Pike attraction at the World's Fair, arouses a renewed discussion of the subject of what method of life tends most potently to longevity.

That 100 years, instead of threescore and ten, should measure the normal span of life is the opinion of a prominent English surgeon and physician, who does not speak from theory, but from the experience of three generations of patients and from his own life. Although 84 years old himself, he says that by following certain rules of living he still enjoys the world as when he was young; that he is still free from the stiffness which generally comes with years and that his joints are "as supple and mobile as they were in youth."

The views of this man are received with a great deal of respect in England, for he is no other than Sir Henry Thompson, the oldest member of the Royal College of Surgeons. Sir Henry is also known on the Continent almost as widely as at home, and in Belgium he is especially noted, being the surgeon extraordinary to the King of the Belgians and a Commander of the Order of Leopold. His honors, medals and prizes may be numbered by the score.

Sir Henry's advice to all those who wish to be centenarians is summed up in the word "diet," and in a book called "Diet in Relation to Age and Activity," he shows how not only a man's age, but his temper, his pleasures, his fortunes and even his spiritual nature, are made or marred by the food he eats.

Many of Sir Henry's doctrines, however, deal a hard blow to the majority of men and to the old-fashioned belief that "as a man gets older he should live more heartily." The popular theory, against which he takes an end-reck, is thus defined in his own language. It is the "belief that when age arrives we may indulge in

that extra 'support' which the feebleness of advancing years is supposed to deserve. The little luxuries hitherto forbidden, now suggested by the lips of loving women and tendered in the confidence of affectionate hands, are henceforth to be gracefully accepted, enjoyed and turned to profit in the evening of our declining years. The extra glass of cordial and the superlatively strong extract of food are now to become delicate and appropriate aids to the enfeebled frame."

Such a doctrine, the writer says, is all wrong. Such a mode of living shortens, he says, rather than lengthens life. It is in the years of growth and activity that rich food and stimulating beverages may be disposed of with the least injury to the constitution, for then the eliminating power of the body is at its height. On the contrary, when the system becomes old and less vigorous it cannot grapple with such foods and drinks. Like a weak garrison, it is overcome by a too powerful attacking force. In old age, he says, "the flow of blood cannot be driven into any semblance of youthful torrent by the temporary force of stimulants, nor is it with impunity to be overcharged by the constant addition of rich elements which can no longer be utilized." Accordingly, as a man's vitality decreases, says Sir Henry, the quantity and richness of his food should decrease.

The King of Portugal, who is about to pay a visit to King Edward, is a great favorite in England. His marriage to Queen Amelie was quite a romance. After Dom Carlos attained his majority he was looked upon as one of the most eligible parts in Europe, and every princess of a Roman Catholic house was mentioned as his prospective bride. His fate was, however, sealed in the most unexpected manner. One day he saw a portrait of Princess Amelie d'Orleans in the drawing room of the Comtesse de Ferronay, and was so struck with her charming appearance that he begged for a letter of introduction. He started for Paris almost immediately, and the happiest of marriages was the result of this impulsive action.

Cats are taxed in Dresden and other German towns. When the tax was first imposed thousands of the animals were destroyed by owners desirous to avoid payment.

"THE GIRL I LEFT BEHIND ME"

Romances of the British-Boer Soldiers—Many Marriages Marked Their Stay in St. Louis and More Are to Come—Sweethearts Bade Them Farewell at Wabash Station—Mails Since Burdened With Warriors' Love-Letters and Engagements to Wed Are Faithfully Maintained—One Note of Tragedy Among the Sentimental Chorus.



WITH the departure of the British and Boer soldiers of the South African exhibit the champion love-makers of the World's Fair marched away from St. Louis to the tune of "The Girl I Left Behind Me." Their camp was the favorite scene of World's Fair romances. These romances more frequently than not culminated in happy marriages, and other happy marriages are expected to follow before long. Old Gen. Piet Cronje, "The Lion of Paardeberg," led off in this field, taking unto himself a wife from among the Boer women in the camp, their wedding in St. Louis being a most picturesque affair. From Gen. Cronje straight down the line spread the fever of love and matrimony. Many of the soldiers married St. Louis girls. Others became engaged to young women of this city. Some of the wives and all of the sweethearts were necessarily left behind when the British-Boer soldiers departed. The occasion, therefore, was one of tearful sentiment. It broke all World's Fair records of romance. The one tragic story involved, that of the untimely killing of Trooper John Backhouse, only two months married, intensified its pathos.

LIKE knights who love and ride away, the British-Boer warriors of the South African war show packed bag and baggage two days after the close of the World's Fair and passed out into the void.

The scene at the Wabash Fair station was not unlike the oft-repeated scenes during the actual Boer war, or, indeed, any other leavetaking of soldiers for the front. Perhaps a little of the glory was missing, for these stern warriors are on business bent. To earn dollars rather than glory is their mission. To the crowds of young women who saw them depart, this fact may have robbed the parting of the fear of never seeing their dear ones again—but then, on the other hand, there was not the consoling thought of glory to be won.

Early in the day little groups of women arrived in the British-Boer camp and until late into the night many of them remained to see the last of their knights of the blank cartridge.

The day was cold, and the wagons being delayed, the waiting became weary—a severe test of affection.

At last marching orders were given. "Sections right! Walk, march!" and the first of the creaking wagons pulled out through the camp gates. The troopers, loaded like looters, with blankets, edibles and many presents from loving hearts, swung out into the roadway with cheers. Behind them came the evil-looking "pom-pom" and the quick-firing machine guns. Then came the heavier field artillery, with the smart Boer gunners mounted on the limbers. A shoal of led horses, masterless, brought up the rear, for, alas! there have been many accidents lately, and a number of men are in hospital with broken limbs sustained in the dangerous midle war.

Down at the station, having waited there since 3 o'clock, were other parties of sweethearts and wives. Some were looking proud and happy, for were they not going along with their warrior lords? Others were pictures of doubt—vague promises were their portion. Still others in downright despair, made little effort to conceal their woes. In other cities other girls would enslave these heroes and poor Miss St. Louis would be forgotten.

A few curious idlers speculated as to which was old Cronje, chief of the Benedicts of the band. But the old chieftain was not there. The grizzled hero was not inclined for the road. He was at home in comfortable quarters, pondering whether to accept the generous terms of rival showmen or betake himself back to his fat South African farms on the veldt.

Greatly given to marriage are these soldiers of fortune. Leading off with Sergeant-Major Pay of the British con-

tingent, there is a list of close on a hundred warriors who have found brides in this city. After Gen. Cronje had set the fashion by marrying Mrs. Johanna Stertzel on July 5 of this year, there was quite a rush to the hymeneal altar. These are just a few of the Benedicts:

Sergeant-Major Pay married in St. Louis Miss Wilhelmmina Gunter of Berlin, Germany.

Corporal G. Pinnar of the Boer artillery married Miss Ressie Annon of St. Louis.

Charles Taylor of the artillery also married a St. Louis girl.

Trooper Donald Hodge of the British contingent married Miss Cora Roushe of Columbus, Ohio.

John Backhouse (deceased) of the British contingent married Catherine Papsch of California at the St. James Memorial Church, St. Louis.

Trooper Capel of the British contingent also found a bride in St. Louis.

Trooper J. B. Furniss married Miss Hennick of St. Louis.

Trooper George Prescott married Miss Belle Harding, also of St. Louis.

Trooper Colin Rowing married Miss Anna Cremer of St. Louis.

Trooper Bowle was married and divorced during his stay in this city.

Trooper Prescott was the man who originated and performed the famous "De Wet dive" from the blockhouse. Mr. Rowing afterward took up this part of the performance.

Trooper Furniss had the distinction of being decorated by King Edward with the Distinguished Conduct Medal for meritorious service in carrying dispatches through the enemy's lines.

But, evidently, over and above their soldierly accomplishments, the Boer war veterans must possess attraction superior to those usually given to mere man, for their success with the gentler sex has been quite remarkable during their stay in St. Louis. The smart soldiers of Uncle Sam have come and gone, the Marines and the Philippine troops have had their turn, but no body of men appears to have captured so many hearts as the bronzed servants of the Vierkleur and their late antagonists, now their fellow citizens, the "Boonies" of the British empire.

As the South African warriors pass from city to city through this country there will be no toast drunk with greater enthusiasm, or more frequently called for, than: "The girls of St. Louis." And not a man but will picture to himself some bright-eyed, blazon damsel of the Mississippi valley who made his stay in the city the brighter, and from whom leave-taking was little less than a tragedy.

There were wet eyes at the Wabash when gruff voices spoke words of clumsy comfort. Here a group were exchanging souvenirs, there a man was writing down an address and promising to write often—every week. And meanwhile the heart-worn troopers were raiding the refreshment buffet and eating as only a cavalry soldier can eat. Hatbands of red and hatbands of blue, khaki and

Curious Demonstrations Caused by Popular Excitement

LAST summer a protracted drouth in the Wichita district of Kansas threatened the inhabitants with enormous loss. Prayers were offered up in the various places of worship for a fall of rain, and black clouds were yearned for instead of bright ones.

Before the threatened ruin had been wrought the black clouds came and the much-needed rain fell in torrents over an area of something like 100 miles. The people went frantic with joy, and in a very few minutes a brass band was parading through the streets, followed by a great crowd singing hymns of thanksgiving and cheering themselves hoarse.

Even the factories closed in order that their employees might have the opportunity of standing in the rain until soaked through; and subsequently nearly 1000 persons attended a special service in the churches.

Of the very opposite character was a demonstration reported from Tacoma, in the State of Washington, which is a center of the salmon-fishing industry, in which Chinamen largely engage. Concerned about the bad prospects of the season, the Celestials held a religious service in the hope of propitiating their "joss" or god, and thus insuring a period of prosperity.

But after a fortnight's praying there was no improvement in the outlook, and angry with themselves for having lost so much time, and still angrier with their "joss" for his callous disregard of their fervent supplications, they tied a rope around him and dragged him from his exalted position in the temple through the streets, where they finally smashed him to atoms.

How Kansans Celebrated the Termination of a Drouth—Chinamen in Washington Punish a Futile "Joss"—Other Strange Performances.

There was a very remarkable feature in a demonstration held by the village clubs and friendly societies of a Gloucestershire, Eng., district for the benefit of the Stour Hospital. At Eastington, a village six miles east of the city of Gloucester, there resides a Roman noble, Count de Ligt, who claims to be a lineal descendant of the ill-starred House of Stuart, and who was the leading figure in the demonstration.

He was preceded by two standard bearers, one bearing the blue and white battling of his house and the other the Royal Standard of Scotland. Next came a page-in-waiting and a sword bearer, and by way of body-guard the Count himself had a stalwart halberdier on either side of him. The sword and halberds used were stated to have been in the family for no less a period than 800 years.

Quite unique in its character was the demonstration of the students of the Aberystwith College, in Wales, on the occasion of one of their number being sent away for a couple of terms for the heinous crime of holding converse with a lady student. After presenting him at a

formal meeting with a marble timepiece and silver-plated instand, they formed up in funeral order to accompany him to the railway station.

Dressed in deep mourning and wearing their black gowns in the form of crows, the procession moved off, the leading file carrying open books and all joining in singing the Dead March, together with well-known Welsh funeral hymns. The whole proceedings were characterized by the greatest solemnity, which much impressed the hundreds of spectators who accompanied the procession to the railway station, where the departing student had a "send-off" of thunderous cheers.

Among the world's 80,000,000 horses there is only one that has a mane 18 feet long, and that one is owned by Mr. Zilgitt of Inglewood, Cal. Marvelously beautiful are the long gray waves of hair as they are released from the braids which are necessary to keep the hair from getting into inextricable tangles. Mr. Zilgitt always keeps the mane braided all bound in a net, except on special occasions. The mass of hair is so plentiful that the upper part of the braid measures 6 inches in diameter. It requires an hour and a half to unbraids it again, for the greatest care must be exercised lest the strands become twisted.

The biggest beehive in the world is a natural one in Kentucky, known as the "Mammoth Beehive." It is in reality a huge cave, the main compartment of which is 150 feet high, the floor covering ten acres in extent.



A MATRIMONIAL GROUP OF THE BRITISH-BOER WAR CONTINGENT.

1 and 2—Private and Mrs. Backhouse, met and married in St. Louis, Backhouse subsequently killed; 3 and 4—Sergeant and Mrs. Hodge, met here, photo taken immediately after marriage in St. Louis; 5—Trooper Thomas, best man at Hodge wedding; 6—S. M. Hopper, "1st Lord Roberts," at ceremony; 7—Piper Major Cowie, married in St. Louis to girl he met here.

brass buttons, black tunics and silver buttons, all mingling in the struggle for food.

At a table nearby was a newly-married man looking proudly to the wants of his bride. He was taking her with him.

Here and there might be seen an officer giving instructions to a sergeant concerning the shipment of the horses and baggage.

It was a scene that might have been witnessed any day during the three years of the war in South Africa, and the men seemed to regard the whole proceeding in much the same spirit.

To strike camp after a month's stay is never a simple matter, but with a company of men not under strict military discipline (for these gentlemen are of the nature of "artists" and are under civil contract) the task becomes even more complicated. But their personal regard for the officer commanding the British contingent, Capt. Sydney Chapin, D. S. O., late South African Light Horse, and Gen. Ben Viljoen, commanding the Boer party, made things go like clockwork, once the dilatory civilian contractor brought up his wagons.

Capt. Sydney Chapin is an American (the only one deco-

rated by King Edward). He is the son of Dr. S. Chapin, the well-known New York surgeon. He was a special transport officer on Gen. Sir Redvers Buller's staff during the late Boer war and an inseparable friend of the Hon. Julian Ryng, son of the late Earl of Strathford, and Colonel of Capt. Chapin's regiment.

To "Slick Sydney," as he was affectionately called in his regiment, the marching orders were child's play. Having served the British empire through the Matabele war of 1896 and the Mashonaland struggle of the following year, as well as fighting in the Greco-Turkish war, he is familiar with every trick of "trekking," and what he does not know of transport work is not worth remembering. Where other transport officers feared to take their wagons, there "Slick Sydney" loved to pass. Present at 54 engagements in the South African war, the smell of powder has become as a pleasurable nosegay to this soldier of fortune.

The Boer officers stood aside to let the American, calm amidst much bustle, triumph over chaos as the men loaded the special train with warlike paraphernalia.

Loading field guns is not an easy job, but with the broad shoulders of Capt. Franklin against stubborn wheels and Capt. Dix's example of Anglo-Saxon self-help, the men

fell to with a will, glad of the warming work in the biting wind.

At 10 o'clock all was in readiness. Already many of the men, wrapped in great coats, were rolled up and asleep, with the ready facility of soldiers.

Then came the last farewells, some pathetic, some humorous and some, sad to relate, suggesting an air of relief.

But most pathetic of all the women who saw the South African soldiers go, was the young widow of Trooper Backhouse, the Englishman who was shot down by a Jefferson Guard a few weeks ago. He was the inevitable, unfortunate onlooker who, in such affairs, generally gets the stray bullet.

An idle taunt, a challenge, a blow and then the usual idiot who pulls a gun when his loud-lunged folly has brought him into a scrape, came into evidence.

The bullet struck John Backhouse in the abdomen and the young soldier, who had passed through the South African war unscathed, fell thus ignominiously to the bullet of an irresponsible amateur policeman.

The tale of the tragedy, as told in the camp, is this:

A petty quarrel over the treatment of a Kaffir, led a Jefferson Guard to make disparaging remarks against the British, coupled with a challenge to fight all comers. His prompt reward was a left and right to the jaw.

Then he remembered he was a Jefferson Guard and must preserve order. He drew his gun. Half a dozen men rushed forward to prevent him using it. With arms pinioned, he succeeded in pulling the trigger and Backhouse, who was at that moment approaching the group, received the bullet. That is, roughly, the camp story.

At the inquest and the grand jury inquiry the evidence was of so conflicting a character that the authorities could not do otherwise than release the defendant.

The thrashing of the cowardly assailant to within an inch of his life, which was only saved by the efforts of the officers and friends of the striken man, was but poor consolation to the young widow.

The happy plans of the young couple for their sojourns in the great cities of this country ended in tragedy and the young widow rejoins her people to mourn her romance of but two months' duration.

But this deplorable episode was the only incident that occurred to mar the happy memories of the "one thousand Boer and British veterans," who now take with them a recollection of western wonders, of fair women and freemen.

Since the departure of the British-Boer warriors the St. Louis mails have been burdened with their letters to "the girls they left behind them." It is evident that the majority were tremendously in earnest in their St. Louis love-making, and that they cherish the tenderest and most loyal memories of their sweethearts in the World's Fair City. It is extremely likely therefore that many marriages will take place before the gallant troopers return to their native lands, the brides being St. Louis girls.



The Professional Eye-Brightener Is Now an Attendant Upon Beauty's Toilet---She Rubs the Weariness and Languor From the Eyes With Specially Trained Fingers---Details of the Delicate Process.

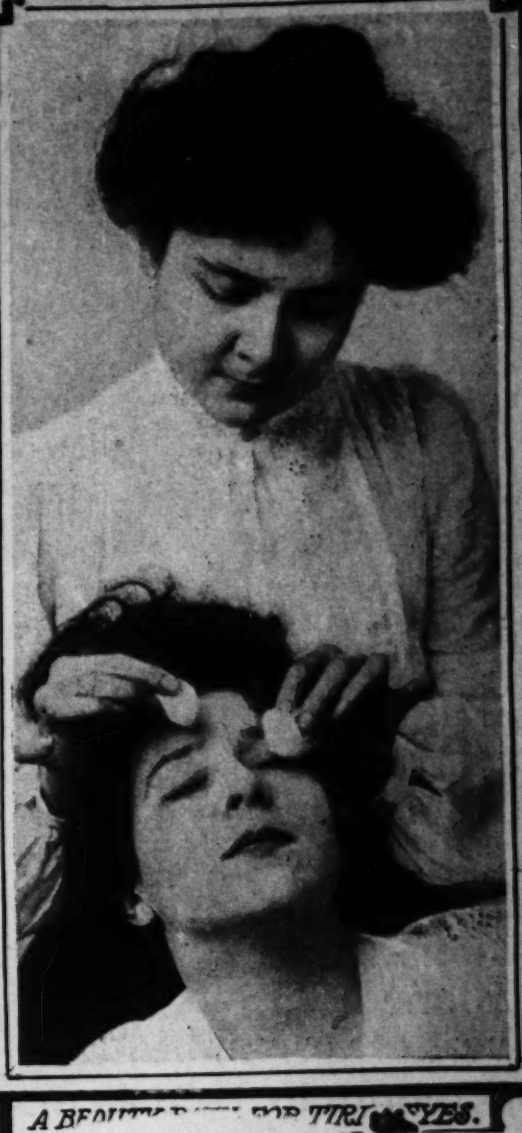
At half-past five in the afternoon, an hour before madame starts in to dress for dinner, the Eye Brightener appears. She has become a necessary factor in the life of the society woman, who even in the daytime is constantly facing a strong electric light and whose eyes soon show the effect. The dull look, supposedly associated only with those who stand in the limelight, soon dims the luster of the fashionable woman's orbs, for late hours, the ceaseless whirl of society and, worst of all, the glaring electric light to which she is exposed in private houses, as well as in hotels, by day and by night, prove as disastrous in effect on the eyes as the shedding of many tears.

The eyes are mirrors of the soul, at least according to the poets, but they are certain indicators of the state of one's health, and besides they give away the secret of one's age. Not the age as recorded in the family Bible, but the age of a woman's feelings.

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HALF AN HOUR'S TREATMENT WILL MAKE THE EYES BRILLIANT AGAIN.



A BEAUTIFUL EYE FOR TIRED EYES.

why modern life is so hard on the eye is a question which has occupied all the medical faculty who make eye treatment a specialty, for two-thirds of all the public school children nowadays are afflicted with some sort of eye trouble.

No wonder, then, that if the eyes of childhood are marred the eyes of maturity, destined to see so much more of pain and pleasure, should soon show traces of fatigue. The eyes sink in their sockets, the eyelids become wrinkled and droop heavily at the corners, and even on an otherwise perfect face these tired eyes banish the semblance of youth. No wonder, then, that the Eye Brightener has become a necessity to the fashionable woman.

This Eye Brightener is a young person with the dearest touch and the most silent tongue, and her duty, as her name indicates, is to restore the youthful appearance to madame's eyes, to banish from them the look of weariness and dullness and to make them gaze upon the world more cheerfully and more brightly.

At 5:30 madame is supposed to be arrayed in a loose gown. The Eye Brightener begs madame to lie on a

couch, and placing a pillow under her feet, in this manner lifting her feet a trifle above the level of her head, she commands the lady to lie quietly for a very few minutes while she shades the light that may be in the room in green gauze, which reflects the most restful of all rays.

The Eye Brightener then begins her operations. In the first place, let me say that this young person requires a special gift to do this delicate work.

A masseuse who works around the eyes can do very little harm, but the Eye Brightener works on the closed eye itself and her touch must be the most delicate or it could not fail to become harmful. Besides this, she must have what we call magnetic fingers coming from a magnetic personality, or to speak plainly, a person who is soul centered and is thus perfectly poised. A nervous person should never try to give this treatment, for she would simply end in communicating this condition to her patient. A good masseuse will speak as little as possible during the treatment, and the Eye Brightener knows that twice the effect can be gained if her patient can be induced to rest and relax mentally as well as physically.

After a few passes over the forehead, to smooth out

any creases which may be there, the Eye Brightener takes two tiny bags filled with small sweet herbs steeped in oil. In some cases tea leaves steeped in hot water are used.

The patient closes her eyes and keeps them closed during the entire treatment. If she can be induced to go to sleep, so much the better.

The little bags are drawn slowly across the lids and around the eyes, leaving tiny traces of the oil.

The Eye Brightener now starts in to gently massage the eye, beginning at the corner of the nose on the orbicular muscles, using the third finger of each hand and working in minute circles toward the outer edge of the eye. The same process is repeated on the lower muscles. This treatment is particularly beneficial to near-sighted eyes, or where the eyeballs are convex. For aging or too-far-sighted eyes, however, the treatment should begin at the outer edge of the eye and work toward the inner edge. This massage has been known to restore dim sight and to visibly increase the powers of vision.

The operator now begins to massage over the closed eyelid itself. Considerable skill is required to get just the right touch of the fingers.

Now the drooping eyelids are massaged with the third finger of each hand, starting at the outer corner of the eye and, as it were, lifting the drooping muscle upward and fastening it to the big temporal muscle by a series of rotary movements.

By this time the patient, unless of a very nervous temperament, begins to feel drowsy. This drowsiness can be increased and almost any pain or fatigue taken away by massage at the base of the brain and on either side of the back of the head at a slight distance from the ears.

The operator holds the patient's head firmly in one hand while rubbing first in a vibratory then in a rotary movement at the back of the head, with the other hand.

After this all traces of oil or tea eyewash are rubbed away with a little pure cologne water on a bit of linen. Good cologne is often used around the eyes as a stimulant to the skin and consequently a wrinkle eradicator.

The treatment should have lasted half an hour. After this, if possible, madame is expected to rest for a few moments quietly, and when she issues once more into the strong light of the reception room her eyes have regained the steady, lambent glow of youth.

HEALTH and BEAUTY---By Margaret Hubbard Ayer

Where to Get Imperceptible Rouge.
Colorless.—I cannot give the names and addresses in the columns of the paper, but if you will write me a personal letter, inclosing stamped and self-addressed envelope, I will tell you where you can get the imperceptible rouge.

A Test for Soap.
Nancy.—I do not know the soap you write of. There are many good soaps on the market. A simple way to test soap is to touch it to the tongue. If the soap is very bitter it contains too much free alkali to be used on the face. The purest soaps have hardly any taste at all.

For Lashes That Are Too Light.
R. C.—The "in-lost recipe" to which you refer must have slipped out or been mislaid. I assume you mean the following:

Gum arabic, 1 dram; india ink, 1-2 dram; rose water, 4 ounces.

Powder the ink and gum and triturate small quantities of the powder with the rosewater until you get a uniform black liquid in a powder, and add the remainder of the rosewater to it. It should be applied to the eyelashes with a very thin camel's hair brush.

Wants Hair to Curl.
W. T. A.—The hair can be trained to curl unless it is very brittle and straight, and in this case you should have your scalp treated to restore the gloss and flexibility to the hair. Apply the following curling fluid. This will have to be repeated every day if the hair is very wiry:
Gum arabic, 1 dram, sugar, 1 dram; rosewater, 2 ounces. Mix and dissolve. Moisten the hair with this solution. Put up in curling kids or papers.

Red Spots on the Nose.
M.—Your digestion is evidently not good or your nose would not have these shining and red spots. Apply the following wash for external use, but be sure to keep your health in good condition and pay proper attention to your diet. Drink plenty of water, eat fruit and laxative food. Take exercise in the open air and be careful always to keep your ankles warm in cold weather and your nose will soon recover in its proper color.

Glycerine, 1 ounce; rosemary water, 1-2 ounce; carbolic acid, 20 drops. Mix thoroughly and apply to the face with a soft linen cloth or a velvet sponge.

Hair on the Upper Lip.
Miss L. R.—I would not advise you to begin with a depilatory, as it is slavery once you have begun. The only permanent method of removing superfluous hair is by the electrolysis or the electric needle. Why don't you bleach your hair in peroxide of hydrogen, taking the pure peroxide of hydrogen on a bit of cotton and allowing it to remain on until it stings? Repeat this until you bleach the hairs. By applying a drop of ammonia after the peroxide you will eventually destroy the constitution of the hair.

Waiting Patiently.
Miss Q. R.—If you have noticed closely this page you could not fail to see the numerous requests for the same information, which I now gladly give you, even though it may be the thousandth time.

There is no absolute cure but electricity. If you will write me I will tell you of a temporary help, but I cannot give names and addresses in this column.

Tanned Since She Was a Child.
Ten.—Try rubbing your neck with alcohol. It will some-

times whiten the neck without any other application. If not successful in your case, then resort to the regular bleach, which I give you herewith:

Bichloride of mercury in coarse powder, 10 grains; distilled water, 1 pint. Agitate the two together until a complete solution is obtained. Then add one-half ounce of glycerine. Apply with a small sponge as often as agreeable. This is not strong enough to blister and skin the face in average cases. It may be increased or reduced in strength by adding to or taking from the amount of bichloride of mercury. Do not forget that this last ingredient is a powerful poison and should be kept out of the reach of children and ignorant persons.

Smallpox Pittings.
Discouraged.—Smallpox pittings can be effaced by a special treatment which is much like the treatment for face-skinning. Be sure you go to a specialist who understands his business thoroughly.

Temporary Cure for Superfluous Hair.
Constant Reader.—The plaster stick is a simple and effective cure. Write me, sending stamp and address.

Cannot Get Prescription Filled.
Prisco.—If you will send me a personal letter, inclosing stamp and address, I will be pleased to give you further information.

For Enlarged Pores.
Miss Fanny.—It takes a long time to cure enlarged pores and the only way I know of is by the use of the scrubbing brush and a pure hygienic soap. By this process the pores, which have become enlarged by the clogged secretions, are kept free, and gradually they will contract and become normal in size. I know of thousands of cures effected in this manner.

Home Facial Treatment.
L. H.—This heroic treatment is only for those who can find no help in the simpler remedies. I heartily disapprove of any self-applied face skinning fluid. The consequences are often disastrous. Go to a good specialist. You cannot do it satisfactorily yourself. The correct camel's hair scrubbing brush used with a pure, hygienic soap is the best known means of cleansing the face and will not harm the texture of the skin.

Superfluous Hair on the Arms.
M. M. M.—Here are the directions for using the pumice on the arms. It is not intended for any other part of the body, as it would prove too irritating. Get an ordinary 5-cent cake of pumice stone. This is not pumice soap, but the regular, old-fashioned pumice stone. To remove the hair rub the skin afflicted with the superfluous growth and the pumice stone will wear the hair off. Be careful not to be too heroic and irritate the skin. In case the arms are made red by this treatment use a little cold cream. The pumice stone is best used at night before retiring.

Ointment for Scant Eyebrows.
Troubled Cecilia.—In regard to superfluous hair, your best plan will be to get the plaster stick, which is the most efficacious temporary cure I know of.

In reply to the other question, I know of no better way than to take them to a regular establishment for that purpose.

Here is the ointment for scant eyebrows:
Red vaseline, 2 ounces; tincture of cantharides, 11-8 ounce; oil of lavender, 15 drops; oil of rosemary, 15 drops.

Mix thoroughly. Apply to the eyebrows with a tiny toothbrush once a day until the growth is sufficiently stimulated. Then less often.

This ointment may be used for the eyelashes also. In this case it should be very carefully applied. It will inflame the eyes, as any ointment will, if it gets into them.

For Whitening the Hands.

A. Z.—Here are the formulas you have asked for:
Whitener for the Hands: Sweet and bitter almonds, blanched and pounded into a paste, 250 grams each; lemon juice, 60 grams; sweet milk, 30 grams; sweet almond oil, 90 grams; brandy, 180 grams.

Mouth Wash: Distilled witchhazel, 3 ounces; chlorate of potassium, 1 dram. This can be used as a wash for a sore mouth or as a gargle for a sore throat.

Another invaluable remedy for disordered breath is the juice of two lemons and one orange, taken before retiring.

To Reduce Superfluous Flesh.

A Friend, a Post-Dispatch Reader and Others.—This is the treatment for reducing too fleshy breasts:

The breasts should be rubbed every night with the following astringent ointment:

Aristol, 2 grams; white vaseline, 30 grams; essence of peppermint, 10 drops.

Then cover them with linen cloths wet with this lotion:
Alum, 2 grams; acetate of lead, 30 grams; distilled water, 400 grams.

Cover the wet cloths with oiled silk and keep them on for 12 hours. The treatment will not show results for several weeks, but should be continued as long as necessary.

Don'ts for Peroxide Users.

Constant Reader.—Here are rules for using peroxide which you may rely upon, if you really conclude you want to bleach your hair. But do not forget that it is not all a rosy path and hard to turn from when once begun:
Get a bottle of chemically pure peroxide of hydrogen. Before making the application the hair should be thoroughly washed and dried. Pour a little of the peroxide into a saucer, apply to the roots of the hair with a clean tooth brush. You must regulate the color by your own observation. One application will produce a most noticeable change.

Never use ammonia in connection with peroxide of hydrogen. Hairdressers have a fashion of "preparing" the hair, as they term it, by bleaching, and in order to hasten the bleaching process they use ammonia.

Peroxide of hydrogen will not injure the hair if carefully used, but in conjunction with ammonia it will, in the course of time, destroy the constitution of the hair.

To Keep the Hair in Curl.

A Constant Reader.—Here is the formula for keeping the hair in curl: Training the hair over the finger after it has been dampened a little will often bring the right crinkle where the hair is naturally a bit wavy:

Take of gum arabic 1 ounce; good moist sugar, 1-2 ounce; pure hot water, 3-4 pint. Dissolve. When this solution is cold add alcohol, 2 fluid ounces; bichloride of mercury and sal ammoniac, 6 grains each. The last two should be dissolved in the alcohol before the admixture. Lastly, add enough water to make the whole measure one pint. Perfume with cologne or lavender water.

DO NOT USE POISONOUS BEAUTIFIERS

An Authoritative Warning to Women Who Resort to Arsenic and Other Dangerous Drugs to Improve Their Complexions.

Dear Miss Ayer:
I am very anxious to acquire a white and clear complexion. Mine is very yellow-looking. I have a friend who has been taking arsenic and it has made her skin lovely and white. Would you recommend this and how much shall I take?

C. B.

NOTHING but the largest kind of type would suffice to give emphasis to the Don't which should be spelled at the foot of this letter.

It is one of many containing the same or similar inquiries regarding the efficacy of arsenic, belladonna, prussic acid fumes and a few other deadly poisons as applied to beauty culture.

Will some one please tell me why a woman who refuses to take what her doctor recommends will cheerfully employ any agent, no matter how harmful it may be, if she has the slightest idea that it will improve her looks?

In the quest of beauty some women become recklessly heroic, and for them in the largest possible type should be written the word "Don't."

Don't think for a moment that beauty is to be found where health is not or that it can be obtained at the cost of the latter. If your complexion is yellow try some of the many natural and simple remedies and don't resort to arsenic without first consulting your physician. Not that the small quantity of arsenic contained in the different preparations sold on the market would be injurious to itself. But arsenic is a stimulant on which one soon learns to depend, and it is from a small and insignificant beginning that the drug habit, which has plunged so many hundreds into misery, springs.

Some women foolishly imagine that preparations containing belladonna will enhance the beauty of the eye. Usually it is the very young girl who tries to enlarge the pupils of her eyes by injecting belladonna or atropine into the corner of the eye. After one trial, however, she has had quite enough, as the largest kind of pupils cannot make up for the blurred vision which accompanies such practices. Older women are content to paint their eyelashes and pencil the lids, thus giving the eye more brilliancy and adding to its size.

It seems strange that a really gentle and refined woman should be so seriously deficient in sense as to submit her eyes to the fumes of prussic acid in the vain hope of making them more lustrous. However, even this unattractive form of poison has been known to lure women from the broad paths of common sense. Both the use of belladonna injected into the eyes and the fumes of prussic acid have caused loss of sight and decay of those treasured organs, and this is certainly the highest price to pay for a fleeting brilliancy of glance.

One cannot be too careful what substances one brings near the eyes. Though the various dyes, eyelash stains and eyebrow pencils contain no harmful ingredient, still even the simplest of these should be used with care, and no foreign substance be allowed to come near the delicate

organs of sight, which are irritated all too frequently by dust and cinders, not to speak of the ill-treatment they get from their owners, in the way of bad light, overwork and over-fatigue.

Bright eyes cannot be acquired through the use of any poisons, but are the result of a bright mind and a healthy body.

One more word about eyes. Never put rouge, even the best make, in the corner of the eye nearest the nose. This is done on the stage to increase the size of the eyes and give them a more open and wide-awake look, but even then it frequently causes irritation. On the street this cosmetic, used in this way, is almost always visible, and to look natural has to be put immediately on the tear duct. This frequently causes inflammation and diseases of the eye.

The woman who wishes to decrease her weight hardly ever cares about physical exercise. Avoidance does not, as a rule, accompany the restless temperament. Hence the stout woman indulges in any form of drinkable or eatable concoction which, so she has been told, will decrease her size. Usually the various mixtures and pills are harmless, now and then the effects are unpleasant, but the woman who deliberately indulges in camphor, eating it, to reduce her size, is taking her life—at any rate, her health—in her own hand.

Don't eat camphor; it is not an obesity cure. You may grow thin on a diet of camphor balls, but the chances are you will die before you do.

Don't, don't dabble in poisons to improve your looks, when there are thousands of harmless yet helpful remedies.

Every woman is seeking to be beautiful, but beauty is only found on the path of health, and poisonous plants are never found on that fair road.

An American gentleman named Forbes some years ago paid \$6000 for a pack of cards he found in a little huckster's shop in Paris. The pack was on a shelf in the window, and the designs on the backs, which were rather peculiar, attracted Mr. Forbes' attention, and he asked the huckster how much he wanted for them. "One franc," was the reply. Mr. Forbes made a careful examination of the pack and then said: "I will give you \$6000 for the pack, which, I think, is a higher price than you will get anywhere else," and the bargain was promptly concluded. The pack of cards was painted by an Italian artist of the fifteenth century, and was the only pack which the artist had signed.

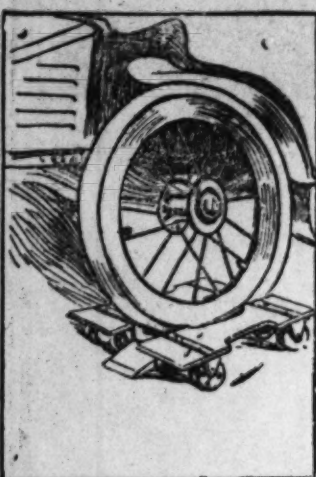
Nineteen pianos, every one of which was a wedding present, are in the possession of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

YOUR FORTUNE TOLD.

Free and accurate fortune telling by mail. Send your name and date of birth to the Proprietor, L. E. AMEL, Dept. 100, Bridge Street, N. Y. C.

New and Strange Things in and About St. Louis.

Skates for Automobiles.



ONE of the most up-to-date automobile enthusiasts in St. Louis has lately introduced into his garage equipment a new device for moving auto around when it is necessary to wash or repair them. This device looks like a pair of roller skates mounted side by side and supporting a small grooved platform. The wheels of the auto are run on to this platform, the tire fitting into its groove, and thus, with one of these devices under each wheel, the machine can be spun around in its own length and handled with trifling effort.

Rain falls more frequently between 3 o'clock and 8 o'clock in the morning than at any other time during the 24 hours.

Humanitarian Horse-Blanket.



HUMANITARIAN owners of horseflesh in St. Louis hall with delight the introduction of a new variety of horse-blanket arranged that it will not slide from the back of the animal which it is intended to cover and protect from the cold. This blanket is buttoned around the neck of the horse in the usual manner, and by means of two strips of webbing is secured to each of the horse's hind legs. Thus it cannot interfere with the movements of the animal and cannot work down nor be blown from its back.

The second largest ranch in the world is in Texas, and is owned by Mrs. Adair. It extends to a million acres and produces a revenue of over \$250,000 a year.

Two-Necked Bottle.



A CURIOUS bottle recently shown in St. Louis is intended to do away with the necessity of drawing a cork bearing a guarantee stamp to prevent the substitution of inferior contents. The bottle is

supplied with two necks, being filled through one and emptied through the other. The bottle being filled and the cork in place it is designed that it shall be sealed and not withdrawn for the purpose of drawing the contents of the bottle. This operation is accomplished by means of a spout at the side of the bottle. The latter has two communicating passages therein, one of said passages opening into the receptacle and the other opening through the outer end of the spout. A valve is seated within the first-mentioned passage for closing the outlet from the receptacle, and the movement of this valve is controlled by a plunger, which is connected to a spring-handle adapted to engage and lock upon the spout.

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children has a remarkable museum where, within a glass case, is a collection of implements of torture. Straps of every description are there, sticks, clubs, and ropes with the knots still in them, but once held childish wrists fast. There are also twisted blocks, bamboo canes, and a chain with a padlock by which an imbecile child was for years fastened to a post. Hanging by itself is a straw basket two feet long and a foot deep in which twins were found on a baby farm.

The Hollanders are not fond of lazy people, and they have a very good way of curing persons who can, but won't, work. If a pauper who is able to work refuses to do so, they put him in a cistern, to which a pump is attached, and turn on a stream of water. The stream flows into the cistern just slowly enough to enable the lazy person, by lively pumping, to keep the water from getting up over his head.

The Norwegian corps of skaters is a body of soldiers armed with rifles, who can be maneuvered upon ice or on skis over the snowfields of the mountains with a facility equal to that of the best trained cavalry.

Quaint Old Tinder Box.

THE matches we now use will soon be taking their place with the tinder box relics owned by a St. Louis man. Electricians say that electrical devices will take their place. Matches have been in the fashion for a long time now, but a couple of hundred years ago they were not thought of. Tinder boxes were used then and much ingenuity and taste were exercised in their making. The wood was elaborately carved by skilled artisans.

There are several species of fish, reptiles and insects which never sleep during the whole of their existence. Among fish it is positively known that pike, salmon, and goldfish never sleep at all; also that there are several others in the fish family that never sleep more than a few minutes a month. There are dozens of species of flies which never indulge in slumber, and from three to five species of serpents which also never sleep.

A workman named Otto, residing in Berlin, had been dismissed by his employers, and walked the streets for a fortnight. He grew despondent because he could not obtain employment, and was on the point of committing suicide when he received official intimation that he had just won \$2500 in the State lottery. Otto was overjoyed at the news, and hurried to acquaint his friends of his good fortune. He had scarcely walked a few yards in the street when he fell to the ground dead—killed by joy.

It is stated that 173 varieties of sausage will be shown at a forthcoming sausage exhibition in Berlin.

According to the latest returns, there are 1756 distinct trades being carried on in London and its suburbs.

St. Moritz, in Switzerland, has the biggest toboggan slide in the world. It is three-quarters of a mile long and has been descended in a whiff of only 71 seconds.

In Saxony no one is permitted to shoe horses unless he has passed a public examination and is properly qualified.

The largest proportion of lunacy cases in London is among the laboring class. The class which comes next is that of clerks.

The earrings worn by Italian women indicate the part of Italy the wearers come from; the longer the earrings the further south the original homes of the women.

St. Peter's at Rome is in the form of a cross 636 feet long and 450 feet wide. Its height is only two feet less than its width.

The number of silk hats made annually in the United Kingdom is about 12,000,000.

The average depth of the Atlantic is estimated to be about 16,000 feet.

World's Fair Picture Painted by a Queen.



THE democracy of art was illustrated at the World's Fair by the listing of the work of a crowned head among the paintings exhibited there, royalty competing on an equality with other wielders of the brush and palette. The work in question was a painting by H. R. M. Amelia, Queen of Portugal, entitled "The Ox Cart." It represented a scene from peasant life in Portugal, showing a primitive cart with wooden wheels, drawn by two oxen, halted at a turn in the road marked by a shingle or boundary slab of stone, the driver of the cart seated, with legs dangling over its front, a long whip or goad over his shoulder, and looking steadily out of the picture. The drawing and coloring were

quite good, the atmospheric effects being especially clever, so that even a plain, everyday, untitled painter need not have been ashamed to acknowledge the work as his own.

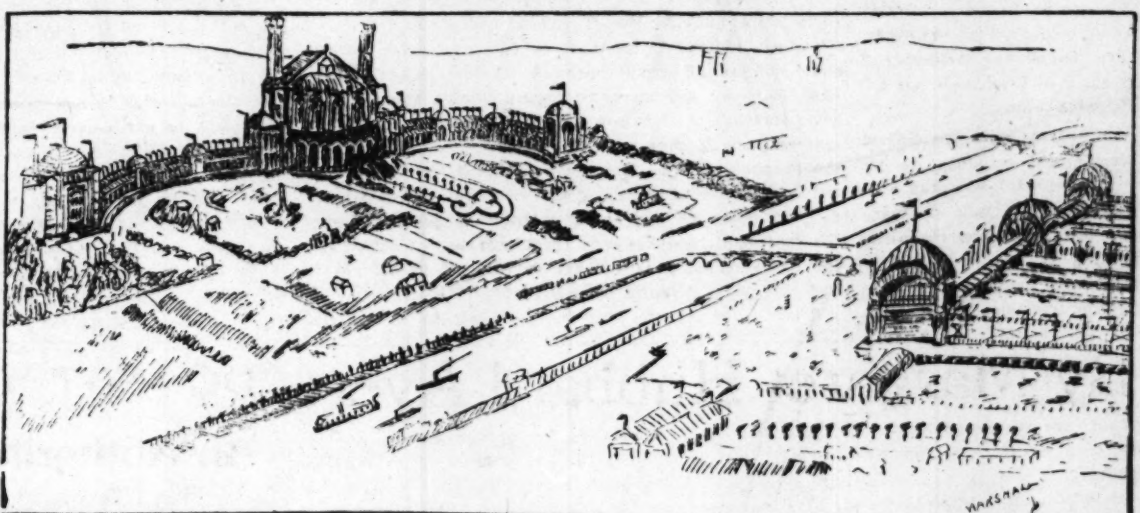
A journalist has just interviewed the famous Serbian benefactor, Stovan Zikitch, who is 117 years old, and proves it. The old fellow wears heavy clothes the year round, drinks about three-quarters of a liter of brandy a day, and affirms that in his youth he drank 12 liters of wine a day without harmful consequences. On the other hand, he has never taken coffee or smoked. Early in life, while in Greece, he knew Lord Byron, and is proud of telling of the "curly-

headed Englishman." Zikitch has twice been married and has four daughters. He boasts that he has never worked in his life. "All I can wield are the gun and the dagger, and, thank Heaven, I have earned enough by them to live comfortably now," Zikitch is, perhaps, the oldest man alive.

The experience gained in the use of pressed peat as locomotive fuel in Bavaria, Austria, Sweden and Russia is stated to be very satisfactory.

Hair may be transplanted, and, under favorable circumstances, will grow as well in its new as in its original situation.

Did Paris' Trocadero Originate St. Louis' Cascade?

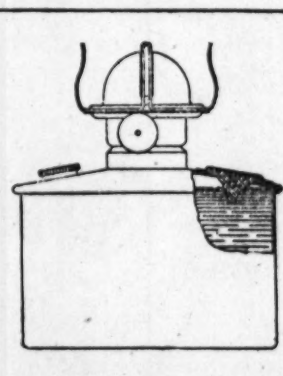


NOW that the World's Fair has closed one of the aftermath features of the great enterprise seems to be more or less of a dispute as to who originated the Cascades. The entries in the field thus far are Cass Gilbert, the New York architect; M. Masqueray, who drew the design for the main picture of the World's Fair, and Architect Barnett of St. Louis. Now comes Mr. Joseph Marshall of 214 Hickory street, St. Louis, who points out that the Cascades are in effect a reproduction of the famous cascades which were a feature of the Trocadero Palace general picture at the Paris Exposition of 1878. "From the drawing I inclose," writes Mr. Marshall to the Sunday Post-Dispatch, "you will readily see how closely our crowning glory imitates Paris' crowning glory of 25 years ago. The center domed hall, colonnades, two flanking towers, water playing over steps into basin—it is all there and should silence the 'originators' of 1903."

Many stories are being told in Rome of the good nature of the Pope. Not the least interesting one has reference to the days

when the pontiff was a curate, and cholera was raging in the village in which he worked. Fear of the dread scourge spread to such an extent that no one could be found to dig graves for the victims. It was then that the future Pope won for himself the love of thousands. Without making any ado he took a spade and did the grave digger's work himself.

Non-Overflow Lamp.



AN ingenious new lamp is now being shown in St. Louis, the merit claimed for which is that the danger of oil overflow in filling is averted. This is done by means of a piece of glass of prism shape inserted in the top of the reservoir and with one portion extending down into the oil-space. Thus it is possible to tell as soon as the oil reaches the lower part of the glass extension and the exact level of the oil can be seen and followed as it rises toward the inlet through which the lamp is being filled.

The Sultan of Turkey and the Queen of the Netherlands are the only total abstainers among European sovereigns.

The young Duchess of Marlborough is an expert billiard player. So fond is she of the game that it would surprise none of her friends if she were to include a perfectly appointed ladies' billiard room among the projected improvements at Blenheim House, for she has often announced her intention of doing so.

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them those that made their appearance during the last quarter of a century. One of the latest novelties is the apple-pear, a combination fruit which many experienced growers who have seen it claim will become immensely popular in trade circles. It was obtained by grafting a pear branch through an apple stump. The fruit produced has the peel of an apple and the bell shape of a pear. It is of an extraordinary size, measuring 15 inches in circumference. The combination fruit possesses the combined flavors of the apple and pear.

The Fijian fossil coral is the best building stone in the world. Soft as cheese when first cut, it hardens in the air to the consistency of granite.

One of the queerest corners of the earth is Chatham Island off the coast of Ecuador. This island lies 600 miles west of Guayaquil, and the Equator runs directly through it. Capt. Reinman, who was sent to the Galapagos group of islands to inquire into the proper grounding of a deep-sea cable, stopped at Chatham Island, and says it abounds in cats, every one of which is black. These animals live in the crevices of the lava foundation near the coast, and subsist by catching fish and crabs instead of rats and mice. Other animals found on this island are horses, cattle, dogs, goats and chickens, all of which are perfectly wild.

In Lapland the crime which is punished most severely, next to murder, is the marrying of a girl against the express wish of her parents.

By hitting the target 127 times out of 130, the "Oscar," Lord Charles Bessborough's flagship, has made a world's record for the 12-pounder gun.

Tea is held by "Good Health" to be not, strictly speaking, a temperance drink. It is not taken as a food nor as an innocent relish to food, but for its fascinating effects on the nervous system.

Curious Colonial Currency.

M^R. WILLIAM A. KINNECK, a St. Louisian, has in his possession a curious piece of colonial currency of the denomination of 20 shillings. On one side this bill reads: "This indented bill shall pass current for twenty shillings, according to an act of General Assembly of the Counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex, upon Delaware, passed in the fifteenth year of the reign of his Majesty George III. Dated the 1st day of January, 1774." The paper bears several signatures and other interesting matter, among which may be mentioned the grim warning: "To counterfeit is death."

A strange museum has been founded at Lucerne. It is entitled the "Museum of Peace and War," and is intended as a complete history of war from the earliest times. The contents are warlike arms of all ages and nations, books, prints representing the horrors of war in their most realistic aspect, and everything that can throw a candid light upon a grim subject. The founder of the museum is M. Jean de Bloch, a wealthy Pole who is philanthropic, and perhaps a little eccentric, and he has chosen Lucerne for the site as being the place most likely to attract the largest number of cosmopolitan visitors.

The lifting of massive iron and steel plates, weighing four, six and twelve tons, by magnetism, is now done every workday in a number of large steel works. The magnets are suspended by chains from cranes, and pick up the plates by simple contact, and without the loss of time consequent to the adjustment of chain and hooks in the older method. It is also found that the metal plates can be lifted by the magnets while still so hot that it would be impossible for the men to handle them. A magnet weighing 300 pounds will lift nearly five tons.

At the French penal colony, Noumea, New Caledonia, the convicts have organized a band. The leader is a notorious murderer, and was once in the orchestra of the Paris Opera House. The cymbal player killed a sub-penitentiary with a hammer. The first cornet is guilty of murder, with robbery as the motive, and one of the clarinets, a tavern keeper, used to kill his patrons for the same reason. The assistant bandmaster was convicted of having cut his wife to pieces. This convict band gives daily concerts to the inhabitants of Noumea, who are enthusiastic over the new organization.

A dentist comes forward with the suggestion that casts should be taken of prisoners' mouths as a means of identification. He claims that the mouths of no two people are alike.

Single eye-glasses are prohibited in the German army. Even if a soldier has one good eye, yet needs glasses, he must perforce cover both eyes with them.

Three-Minute Hair Clipper.



IN several St. Louis barber shops a new device for clipping hair has been used recently. It consists of a hair-clipper operated by a spring motor which does away with the necessity for operating by hand. The spring is contained in a large circular barrel in what may be called the handle, and is wound up by a crank attachment not large enough to be in the way of the barber. The machine is supplied with the proper arrangements for adjusting the action of the red-pooling blades, a lever starting and stopping them and controlling their speed. This lever is convenient to the thumb of the operator.

Sanitary Dough Mixer.



ST. LOUIS housefurnishing concerns are exhibiting what is known as a "sanitary dough-mixing machine," the purpose of which is to obviate the alleged uncleanly methods that have heretofore prevailed. The device consists of a suitable shaped standard of metal, which is fastened to the table. Attached to this are two straight, movable rods of galvanized iron, each about 11 inches long, controlled from the center by a thumb-screw. The rods when passed through the handles of the bread-pan and secured, keep the pan tight while the mass of ingredients is being easily and quickly mixed by revolving the curved tin rod seen in outline.

Novel Merry-Go-Round.



AMONG the attractions proposed for the "Permanent Fair" in St. Louis is a new "merry-go-round" device in which the horses or other animals, with which it is fitted are made to travel in both directions. It is said that they work their way in and out around each other, always without accident, although collisions and crashes seem imminent all the time. The entire structure revolves, but instead of the animals following each other in regular order they all seem to have their own paths to follow, part going in one direction and part in the other. This result is accomplished by a rather elaborate mechanical arrangement, most of which is hidden under the floor.

Will Duplicate the World's Fair "Rockery."



WHAT is to become of the "rockery" at the World's Fair? This was one of its most remarkable exhibits to people from St. Louis and the Mississippi Valley, in whose alluvial soil natural rocks are a scarcity. The "rockery" was in the beautiful garden of the French pavilion. It looked for all the world like a natural rock

formation, ragged jutting ledges marking an outcropping, time-stained and lichen-covered. Enthusiasts hardly gave it a second glance, being accustomed to rocks. St. Louisians who know how few rocks are hereabouts regarded it with astonishment and curiosity. The little pool of water at its base added to its beauty and naturalness and very few suspected that it had

not always been there or that it was not some curious specimen of rock brought from France. As a matter of fact, it was made of cement on the grounds of the French pavilion by a French expert. Col. McGraw, president of the Glen Echo Country Club, was so impressed by it that he contemplates making another like it on the beautiful grounds of that organization.

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Uncle Sam's Best Type of Light Artillery.



THE United States government maintains an especially exhaustive exhibit of ordnance at the World's Fair, covering in effect the latest developments in every class of the artillery service. Among the most interesting features of this exhibit were the improved guns constituting the light artillery weapons for rapid field use. The 3-inch rifle breech-loading can-

non, carrying a projectile of about 30 pounds weight, now in use in the United States army, is considered to be one of the most effective of its kind in the world, both for accuracy and range of fire and is easily handled and of comparatively simple make. These guns, with their limber-chests carrying the necessary ammunition for their immediate use, are drawn by six-horse

teams, as, also, are the caissons carrying additional ammunition, and it is an inspiring sight to see a six-gun battery, a caisson following each gun, maneuver at full gallop in the field. Men selected for the light artillery arm of the service are nimble and strong, not tall, and, preferably, of medium weight. They are shown with a special view to their requisites.

Holiday Attractions in St. Louis Theaters



ADELE ROWLAND as FLO in
"THE MAID and
the MUMMY"
at the CENTURY.



REJANE in
"LA ROUGE ROUGE."



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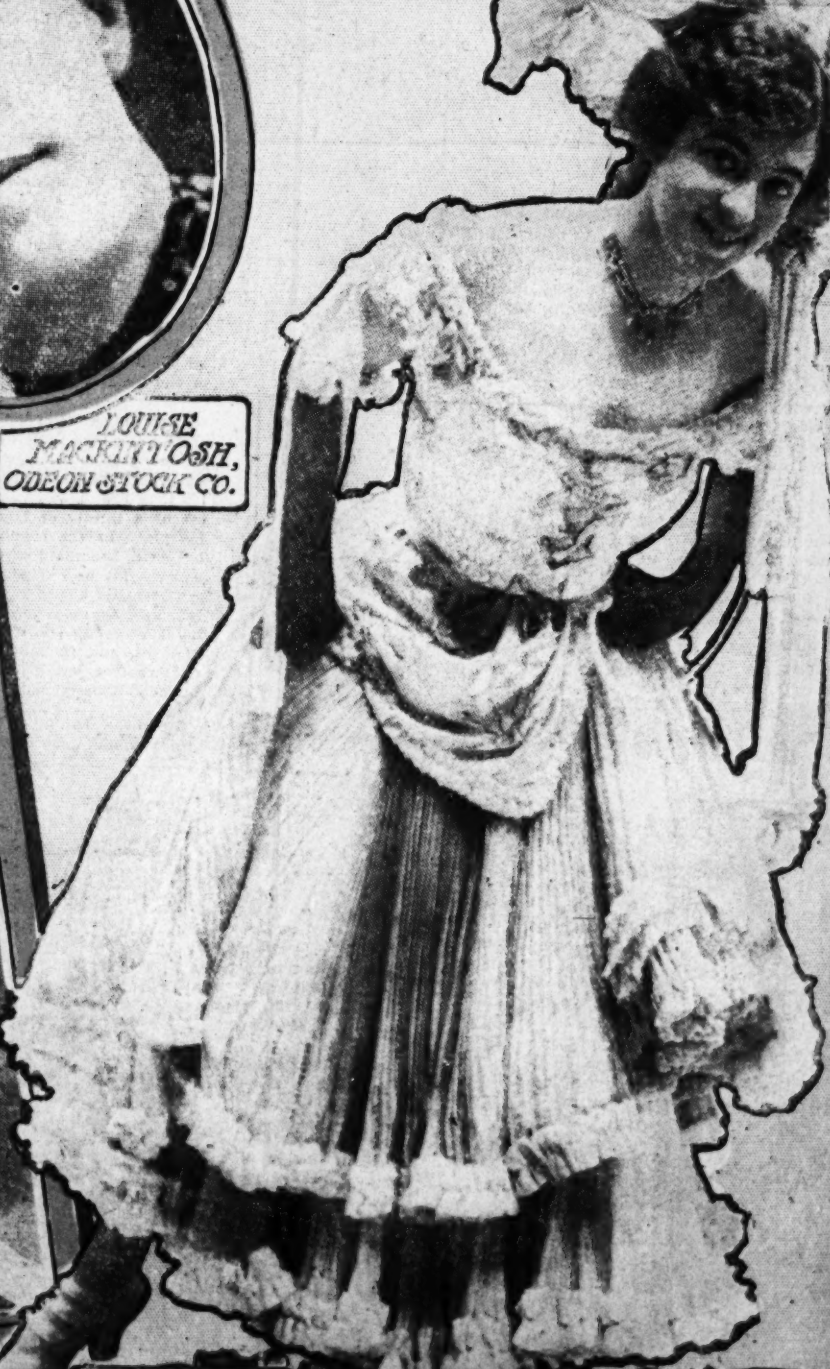
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PATRICE in
"DRIVEN FROM HOME"
at the IMPERIAL.



THE APPRENTICES
in "THE MAID and
the MUMMY"
at the CENTURY.



MAY BOLEY in
"THE MAID and
the MUMMY"
at the CENTURY.



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